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Mr Thorpe denies any part in alleged murder plot

r Thorpe issued an absolute denial yesterday at he had ever been involved in any alleged t to kill or harm Mr Norman Scott and clared that he would not resign his parliameny seat. He repeated that although he had had

a "brief affectionate" friendship with Mr Scott no sexual activity of any kind took place. When Mr Thorpe was asked if he had ever had a homosexual relationship his lawyers disallowed

Refusal to resign from the Commons

Fred Emery rical Editor

ir an extraordinary and e news conference yester-Mr Jeremy Thorpe issued absolute denial of any in-ement in the latest allegain the Norman Scott namely that he had discussed with anyone y proposed murder or mpt to harm" Mr Scott

ne former Liberal leader. resigned his party post last after earlier allegations, ared that he would not in his parkiamentary seat

. said he had received not agle request from his conamentary Party to do so. or questioning, he said he d sue anyone who defamed if he had to " once the aract of allegations " had

ded.
Thorpe, responding to tions for an hour after ering a prepared stateit was neither for nor for the press to righte any alleged murder the job was for the

the allegation by Mr ew Newton that he had

had jokingly asked his if she were involved, but or believe it was his job

In his statement Mr Thorpe reaffirmed his earlier position that although he had a brief "affectionate friendship" for Mr Scott in the early 1960s no sexual activity of any kind took place."

An invitation by a BBC reporter to Mr Thorpe to say whether he had ever had any homosexual relationship brought the tensest moment. Mr Thorpe's wife, Marion, who sat Thorpe's wife, Marion, who sat next to her busband, exclaimed: "Stand up and put that question again." Mr Keith Graves, of the BEC, did so.

Mr Thorpe's lawyer, Mr John Montgomerie, a partner in Lord Goodman's firm, interrupted to disallow the question. When pressed by others to answer regardless of his lawyer Mr Thorpe said it was not "the

Mr Thorpe said it was not "the major allegation". He advised the reporter that it was best to follow legal advice.

The extraordinary setting for the meeting, called by Mr Thorpe, was after a last-minute change, not the former office of the Metropolitan Police Commissioner in "old" Scot-land Yard, but the more congenial library of the National Liberal Club.

paid by a prominent Thorpe, his wife, Mr Clember al to murder Mr Scott, horpe finally said: "I do believe that there is any proceeding. Mr Thorpe quickly proceeding. Mr Thorpe quickly wined the psychological tables by going on the offensive, savaging the reputations of his accusers and scoring off the

Although he noted that Sir Harold Wilson now had doubts about South African meddling in the affair, such as he had stated, when Prime Minister, to the House of Commons, Mr Thorpe was not prepared to go

In explaining why there could ever have been an "affectionate friendship" with a man be now repeatedly described as "a nut case", Mr Thorpe pleaded that his was a generous heart. Mr Scott was not the first person to whom he had offered shelter and compassion.

Some of the questioning was closely researched; some simply begged Mr Thorpe to

Mr Thorpe was combative in many answers. When a Daily Express reporter ascribed to a former Devon friend of Mr Thorpe's, a Mr Collier (to whom Mr Scott had been sent to stay for a while), the impression that his relationship with Mr Thorpe was something more than just affectionate. Mr Thorpe appeared nettled.

He said no one had the right to quote Mr Collier's alleged impressions; and he scoffed that had the imputation been correct he would hardly have sent Mr Scott to stay with the

Colliers. Nor could Mr Thorpe offer much explanation why such important Liberals (in their time) as Mr Peter Bessell and Mr David Holmes should have paid money to Mr Scott. In Mr Bessell's case he suggested

passion he had felt for Mr Scott Mr Holme's buying off for £2,500 of letters Mr Scott possessed Mr Thorpe described as "misguided loyalty". reiterated that he knew nothing about these payments when they were made.

Mc Thorpe carried off mag-nificently his act of appearing relaxed and scornful of the whole business. But he gave his word it had placed "almost intolerable strain" on his family and his wife's anguished expression was proposed. expression gave more confir-mation than was needed.

Leader delighted: Mr Steel leader of the Liberal Party, said at Harrogate last night that he was delighted that Mr Thorpe was not resigning.

Still held: Mr Andrew Newton, the man at the centre of the Norman Scott affair, was still being questioned by Chief Supt Michael Challes last night, 24 hours after going to Bristol police headquarters (the Press Association reports).

Bessell reply: Mr Bessell, the former British Liberal MP, said yesterday that he would probably reply today to remarks about him by Mr Thorpe (Reuter reports from California)

California). Mr Bessell, aged 56, a resident of the United States said he wished first to read the complete transcript,

"If I think there is anything that calls for comment I will make it tomorrow", he said.

Lawyer disallows question on private life

-sorge Clark cal Correspondent

ming the press conference, rend said: "I am chairis meeting because of my Iship and my affection for y Thorpe and also because mounting admiration for to and Marion Thorpe in current predicament."

Keith Graves, of the BEC the fourth question, said hole matter hinged on Mr e's private life. Therefore necessary to ask and it ver had a homosexual re-

John Montgomerie, o, solicitors, Mr Thorpe's adviser, intervened to
"I cannot allow Mr
- e to answer that question.

not propose to say why. per and indecent to put question to a public man. ight not to be here. Graves protested that he nood that the press cont, and the allegation he ut was the main allegoin the affair. But Mr replied: "With great t that is not the major thing to get things in crive. The major allega-that there was a Liberal was concerned in biring

ie to murder a man." Graves interrupted to say ne allegation was that it i do with a homosexual nship. Mr Thorpe said: ay be that our priorities

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e other serious allega-that there has been a of seminars attended by sessell, albeit unwillingly, ompass the death of Mr.
That is also a very, very

e next charge is that has been an attempt to up' either by ministers



Mr Thorpe leaving his home in London to attend the press

or by the acquisition of letters of which I had knowledge or responsibility or complicity in. The fourth is that I had a homosexual relationship with Mr Norman Scott. That I have denied and that is a true and answer the question put by denial. It seems to me that

denied and that is a true and answer the question put by whips, and I do not propose to accept a management of denial. It seems to me that Mr Graves. At that point Mr break that tradition. But may I that they should move 40 these are matters relevant to Freud declared: "I made it Continued on page 2, col 6 up the assembly line.

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vate life that private life remains his own, and I do not feel that in any other case but Scott, it has any relevance to the statement Mr Thorpe has

. Pressed further to ignore his lawyer's and Mr Freud's interventions, Mr Thorpe said: "I happen to believe the wisest course is to act on legal advice and, if I may say so, I would give you the same advice."

Answering another question, ir Thorpe explained his dealings with Mr Scott After Mr Scott's outburst at an inquest in 1972, he had heard nothing of him until the spring or summer of 1975.

"He turned up at my cottage "He turned up at my cottage and my wife opened the door", Mr Thorpe said. "If I can quote her, he said: 'I expect you know about me. I have come to make up, and this has taken great courage'. My wife said: 'I think this is one of your nut cases. Do you want to see him?' I said I did not think it would serve any real purpose and did not see him." Mr Robin Day said Mr Thorpe had denied the allegation of

had denied the allegation of a homosexual relationship with Mr Scott and he denied any knowledge of the so-called "murder plot". That being so, why had he not sued in the courts for libel? Mr Thorpe answered: "There has been no specific allegation with regard to the 'murder plot' and I have been advised that the best thing to do is to wait until the to do is to wait until the cataract of innuendoes and accusations is concluded and then the position will be con-

"Again, I am not a suer. I was tempted the other day to sue a magazine... I think you should sue only where you are compelled to do so. The proceedings can go on for over two years and I am not a rich man, but if I have to sue, I will sue."

When asked about his meeting with Sir Harold Wilson about the "South African connexion", Mr Thorpe said: I have always taken it as a firm rule that discussions be-tween colleagues in the House of Commons remain private, even between leaders and

Police accept United States will back UN call 10 pc but argue over inquiry

An immediate 10 per cent pay rise for the police was understood to have been accepted by the Police Federation last night, if the right terms for a promised indepen-dent inquiry into pay and con-ditions can be agreed with the

Government The offer of the rise and the inquiry was put to the federa-tion by Mr Rees, Home Secretary. He withdrew from talks at the Home Office as soon as it was made, but stood by for the federation's answer.

The 22 delegates, represent ing the police federations of England and Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland, met Mr Ree, Mr Millan, Secretary of State for Scotland, and a repre-sentative of the Northern Ireland Office.

There was some surprise tha the delegates' discussion be-tween themselves on the offer lasted as long as it did. Mr James Jerdine, the chairman, had made it clear before they met Mr Rees that the offer would have to be more than 10 per cent for the discussion to

have any meaning.

Later it was understood that the federation had several times called for clarification of the details of the proposed in-

quiry, and in particular whether the Government would be bound by its findings.

Earlier the Police Council, the national negotiating body from which the federation with the federation w drew last year, had unsuccessfully intervened to suggest its own terms to end the pay

The council suggested an immediate 10 per cent award as well as its own inquiry into police pay. Although the council and the federation did not meet at the Home Office, Mr Rees conveyed the proposal to

federation and it was

quickly rejected. Before yesterday's meeting Mr Jardine made clear that the federation would again warn Mr Rees that the police forces faced a mass exodus unless a large offer was forthcoming. It has also given a warning of in-creasing pressure from many policemen for the right to strike over the issue.

It was the second meeting

between the federation and the Home Office within a week.

After last week's two-bou meeting Mr Jardine said it had been a waste of time. On Wednesday night Mr Rees, address ing the Metropolitan branch of the federation, was given one of the worst receptions he has had from policemen during the present session of pay talks.

Mr Rees had also heard Mr
David McNee, the Metropolitan
Police Commissioner, say at the
same meeting that a police
strike was "undoubtedly closer

now than at any time since

for arms sanctions against S Africa, President Carter says Our Diplomatic Correspondent writes: The British Government

today that the United States would support a United Nations ban on the sale of erms to South Africa. He said that he expected the Security Council would pass a resolution imposng mandatory sanctions imme-

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diately.

America has, in fact, refused to permit the sale of most arms to South Africa since 1963. The President said that a ban on the sale of spare parts would go into effect at once.

American support for man-datory sanctions will mean that those few countries which have continued to supply arms will be under great pressure now to conform. Mr Carter said that further measures against South Africa were being studied. He was asked whether the United States might not pro-

hibit further investment there, or make trade difficult by restricting the activities of the Export-Import Bank, but be declined to take the matter any Carter denied that

America was interfering in South Africa's internal affairs, but said : " I do feel it is proper for us to deplote in South Africa, and other countries as well, blatant deprivations of basic human rights."

has now decided its policy on South Africa and will support any call for economic sanctions. Britain already maintains an arms embargo.

The Government, however will not go it alone. It feels that any action on the economic front urged at the United Nations must carry inter-national support, notably among the Western powers.

This new formula follows several days of intensive consultations at the Foreign Office, in which the five Western members of the Security Council — the United States, Britain, Canada, France and West Germany—have maintained close contacts.

Britain still hopes that South Africa, may relax the latest restrictions on blacks after the forthcoming general election, but Dr Owen, the Foreign Secretary, believes a balance must be struck in seeking to

bring pressure on Pretoria.

For Britain to restrict trade and investment with South Africa without international backing in the form of an assurance that other Western powers would be making the same sacrifices, would not be

The first aim of British policy in the discussions behind the

maintain the unity of the five Western powers. This has been achieved, it is understood, so that the next step will be to try to win African support for a

Security Council resolution.

The issue is crucial because it goes well beyond the possibility of an arms embargo and economic sanctions. The Western powers are actively engaged in seeking black African support for their proposals on the independence for Namibia and majority rule in Rhodesia. If they are obliged to use a veto, because of what are seen as extreme demands for sanctions against South Africa, it would seriously undermine seriously undermine

these other negotiations. New York, Oct 27 -- Western members of the Security Council today reached substantial agreement on a draft resolution to impose a stricter ban on arms sales to South Africa, diplomatic sources said.

Mr Andrew Young. American envoy, reported "a remarkable level of agreement" after intensive talks. He said that it was now a matter of building on this "until we get a consensus that is sufficient to carry the Security Council".

EEC appeal, page 9

Mr Jenkins calls for a European currency

Brussels, Oct 27 Mr Roy Jenkins, President of the European Commission, today urged the adoption of a single European currency and the centralization of monetary European political integration and as the best and only real answer to the EEC's current problems of chronic inflation and high unemployment.

Delivering the Jean Mounet lecture at the European University Institute in Florence, Mr Jenkins said that EEC govrnments must change the way they looked at monetary union. Only a few years ago it had appeared as a reasonably close mountain top viewed through powerful biooculars. the binoculars both the wrong way round and out of focus. A new metaphor was needed,

Mr Jenkius suggested. "Let us think of a long jumper. He starts with a rapid succession of steps. Lengthens his stride, increases his momentum and then makes his leap." Monetary union would be a leap of that kind, and event-

Somerset House 'unsuitable for Turners'

to suggest any timetable for this process. He admitted that monetary union would have to be preceded by a period of increased coordination of national economic policies. But, he argued, there was "room for tomorrow's act of better coordination and for the coordin coordination and for today's discussion of a more ambitious plan for the day after to-

morrow". In a key passage of his lecture, Mr Jenkins argued that monetary union could be reconciled both with the "profound pressures" for more depressures" for more de-centralized government that existed in nearly all member states and with the reluctance of most states to surrender national control of policies to a supra-national authority.

Monetary union would mean

the loss of national control over some important aspects of macro-economic policy, Mr Jenkins conceded. But even today EEC countries which did not discipline themselves had to accept "very sharp sur-veillance from the International Monetary Fund, a body far further away from them and

sider the door closed. The Tate, the National Gal-lery, and the British Museum

black out No 10

By_Our Labour Staff Ten Downing Street was blacked out for several minutes

Power men

yesterday in random power cuts throughout Britain because of unofficial industrial action. The Central Electricity Generating Board disconnected 5 per cent of customers in England and Wales for up to 45 minutes during the peak demand period between 4.30 and 6 pm. Parts of Scotland

were affected. The overtime ban and workto-rule support demands for travel allowances and improved pay. Workers are refusing to change shifts, cover for absent colleagues and transfer to other departments.

Vesterday's ruts which fol lowed voltage reductions of 6 per cent, affected government buildings in Westminster, including the Department of Energy, and the Labour Party and Transport and General Workers' Union head offices in Smith Square. Downing Street has

by generator but an official said last night that the power had been cut for between 10 and 15 minutes. The Prime Minister

The industry's national joint council is to meet to discuss the demands on Thursday. The action has been condemned by union leaders.

Action wins support: The un-official national action com-mittee said yesterday that 60 power stations had registered support for the action (a Staff Reporter writes). Workers in nine transmission areas, the boards that distribute electricity, also approved and promised cooperation.

have a meeting arranged for next week to discuss the Somerset House project.

Leading article, page 15 The national committee said last night that the response from power stations had been

proposal has never been for a major takeover of Turner by Somerser House; it is for a modest display of about fifty pollution, Mr Shore, Secretary Turners at a time in rotation." She added that she did not con-

The trustees of the Tate Gellery have issued a statement (extracts, page 17) explaining why in their view Somerset House is not suitable for an important Turner museum. Since the Tate holds most of the Turner oil paintings for the nation, the agreement of the trustees is necessary for the proposal to display the Turners in their old home at Somerset

The stumbling blocks, the

trustees say, are lack of space, the fire risk, and the threat of damp and other atmospheric

of State for the Environment, announced on Wednesday that if the national institutions agreed to display Turners at Somerset House he would make the Fine Rooms suitable for the conservation of paintings.

Lady Birk, Parliamentary
Under-Secretary of State at the
Department of the Environ-

32,000 idle as strikes hit three major carmakers

By Business News Staff in Industrial Britain's motor industry continued to grow yesterday, with Vauxhall, Chrysler and Leyland each affected by strikes.

Vauxhall Motors vehicle production throughout the country is at a standstill. About 18,000 shopfloor workers have been laid off because of a continuing strike by more than 4,000 maintenance engineers and electricians over the erosion of skilled pay differentials. Chrysler has shut down its

car assembly operations at Lin-wood, Renfrewshire, where some 7,000 production workers are laid off because of a dispute over four assembly line The inspectors refused to

accept a management decision that they should move 40 yards up the assembly line. When

they were suspended, 40 other inspectors walked out last week. More than 7,000 workers

were still idle at Leyland's assembly plant in Longbridge, Birmingham. Production of Allegro and Mini models has been halted by a stoppage by 600 vehicle inspectors over a regrading claim for an extra 53

However, strikers at Leyland's components factory in Redford, Coventry, agreed yesterday to return to work today. Their six-week stoppage has hit Rover and Triumph output.

Vauxhall has been forced to shut its assembly lines produc-ing car light vans and commercial vehicles, after a progressive rundown of output at the Luton, Dunstable and Ellesmere Port plants over the past week Business News, page 20

Obituary, page 17 Dr · Hugh Tracey; Lieutenaut-Colonel Benry Howard; Mr Rowland Rash

Football: Norman Fox on League Cup

draw; Masson-James exchange deal is completed; Cricket: profile of Bobby Simpson; Racing: prospects and pro-grammes for three meetings

Stock markets: Equities fell back from a firm start and the FT Index closed

Financial Editor: Gilts one year later: lovestment trusts bids revive the argu-

Business features : John Best describes the measures being taken in Canada to help the country through its economic crisis; Kenneth Owen on technological

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aith departments should have parents earlier to recognize e reaction to whooping cough Sir Idwal Pugh, Parliamen-mmissioner for Administration dsman) says. The departments, in a sense, to limit and ze their role. Mr Jack Ashley, no is campaigning for compenfor brain-damaged children, he report failed to condemn partments for "six silent and call years" Page 4

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Prices fell sharply yesterday. cuts may soon fall by as much spound in shops.

Food news, page 4

Small firms' part in cutting jobless

The Government is to focus more attention on small businesses in its efforts to bring down unemployment. A series of reports is being prepared under Mr Lever, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, on ways to give further incentives to the smaller businessman. Page 19

Clergymen rebuked The Archbishops of Camerbury and of York have publicly reprimanded the two clergymen who allowed a woman priest to celebrate Holy

Pay breach urged Mr Alan Fisher, leader of the biggest local authority workers' union Nupe. wants the low-paid to be exempted from the Government's 10 per cent limit on earnings' increases. Page 2

40 arrests after Baader funeral

Forty people were detained during clashes with police in Stuttgart after the funeral of the three Baader-Meinhof terrorists who committed suicide in prison. A placard carried at the funeral read: "Gudrun, Andreas, Jan—tortured and murdered in Stammheim " Page 6

Marchais setback

M Georges Marchais, the French Communist leader, has failed in his legal attempt to clear his name of a damaging slur over his wartime work in Germany Page 6 The Great Freight Race: An eight-

port to the oil-rich Middle East Air celebration: Pan American World Airways is marking its fifrieth birthday with a round-the-world flight in 48 hours

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the battle of Turner's bequest Features, pages 14 and 16 lan Bradley says Gladstone, too, had trouble with party defectors; Pearce Wright on the battle of the legal giants at Windscale

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David Robinson on new films in London; Alan Coren and Michael Church on television; Ned Chaillet on Yatesy and the Whale in Liverpool; Stanley Sadie on the opening of the Royal Academy of Music's new theatre Home News 2, 4, 6 European News 6 Overseas News 8, 9 Court Crossword

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_ower-paid worse off at work than on dole. Nupe leader maintains fee rise

Labour Editor Harrogate

Mr Alan Fisher, general secretary of the National Union of Public Employees (Nupe), said resterday that the Government should exempt low-paid council and health service employees from the 10 per cent earnings limit. He denounced the "nonof an incomes policy that left workers worse off employed than on the dole,

Mr Fisher, a senior member of the TUC economic committee, told the annual conference of the Institute of Personnel Management at Harrogate that a a fifth of local authority delivered by Mr Walker, Mini-workers were below the poverty ster of State at the Department line. Lower-paid workers would of Employment, who saw little

public employment had no such hedge against inflation.

Referring to the "political sensitivity" over police pay, Mr

Fisher added: "I am prepared to state the interest of my members in the local authorities and health service by saying that we will accept the same settle-

a totally firm policy allowing for go kind of variation "I be-lieve we shall be in for

minimum wage of £50 a week in the public service, which would mean a rise of £11.50 a

tion of a percentage limit on wage rises.

"We have a ludicrous situation that there are many thouseless the minister said: "We should not be able to dispense with the back-up powers if

Mr Steel indicates that

Mr David Steel, the Liberal leader, yesterday claimed his party's share of the credit for Mr Healty's economic measures. Addressing the national conference of the Institute of Personnel Management at Harrogate, he as good as confirmed that the pact with Labour will continue until the spring Budget next year, "Next time we shall be looking for much more sub-stantial cuts" in taxes, he said. Before he left London Mr Steel had averted his gaze from that part of the latest Gallun Poll (details, page 6) which indicated a drop in the Liberals' support from 10! per cent in July to 8 per cent last month. But he comforted himself with the poll's showing that support for the pact, over the same period, rose from 44 to 50 per

Steel made his ritual

ment as the police get." If the Government adopted

trouble ". Nupe and two other unions have submitted a claim for a

week for the lowest-paid or about 30 per cent on basic rates. Mr Fisher earlier sat through a lecture on pay restraint delivered by Mr Walker, Mini-

sands of people today in the public service who would be hetter off if they were unemployed", he said. Social security benefits were index-linked to the cost of living but these the cost of living, but those in can ignore the difficulty of the

Lib-Lab pact will go on lor's determination to fight inflation. But he clearly liked the start Mr Healey had made in encouraging small business. He also acclaimed the Chancellor's

> poverty trap by exempting 900,000 more people from in-Next time, he said, he par-' middle management, who have been forced to make considerable financial sacrifices in

emphasis on tackling the

recent vears" He said the 10 per cent guideline for pay settlements was working better than many of us had dared hope".

Mr Steel said he wanted industry to take initiatives in two vital areas: youth employment and profit-sharing. He was concerned about the

falling number of youths learning skills. When economic recovery came it might "leave behind an appalling residue of with no prospect of ever obtaining continuous em-

Immigrant students face course

By Sue Reid, of The Times Higher Education Supplement

Several thousand new British universities may have to pay higher fees next year after a decision by the Department of Education and Science, outlined in a government circular and designed to protect colleges from contravening the Race Relations Act.

The decision greatly increases the number of students open to classification as "foreign" and thus liable for overseas fee levels and restriction under college quotas.

In the circular overseas students have been retirled specified " and can gain home student status only by living in the United Kingdom for three years before their courses. Under the previous definition, formed 10 years ago, foreigners could gain classification as home students through their parent's or spouse's length of

Overseas students' organizaimmigrants, including those on courses, may have to pay higher fees, now £650 a year for undergraduates and £850 for postgraduates. They will be increased in step with inflation in the next academic year, when the full impact of the

The United Kingdom Council for Overseas Student Affairs and the National Union of Students have been in touch with the department over the circular. They are pressing for further guidance for local authorities and colleges as to which groups of "specified students" might qualify for home feet home fees.

The council's latest newsletter says: "An authority or college will be on sensitive ground if it adopts the new specified student criteria for assessing fees because it will be immigrant students who will be the bardest hit." A spokesman added that thousands of immigrants might be affected.

The Government has asked local authorities and colleges to limit foreign student num-bers next year to 75,000, a cut

Sealink strike

Sealink crossings to the Channel Islands will be stopped by a seamen's strike after the sailing from Weymouth to Jersey and Guernsey at five minutes to midnight tonight.

Miners' ballot is expected to support the productivity deal by a small majority

The miners' secret pithead ballot on a productivity deal looks like being a very close fight, according to one leader of the National Union of Mineworkers. An informed estimate suggests that the National Coal Board's offer will win a small majority.

Polling during the past two days has been heavy, and the militant areas of Yorkshire, Scotland, South Wales, Kent and north Derbyshire are expected to record opposition votes of up to three quarters. But the mod erate coalfields of Durham, Northumberland, Nottingham-Northumberland, Northingham-shire, the Midlands and the

County fear

rate rises

Correspondent

stated yesterday.

main city.

By Our Local Government

Ratepayers outside main cities face large rate increases

and cuts in services under pro

posals for government grants to local authorities, the Asso-

ciation of County Councils

But the Association of Metropolitan Authorities said

the Government was consider-

ing taking aid away from every

The counties' association

believes the options under con-

sideration for distributing the

grant favour the cities, particu-

larly London, at their expense.

The metropolitan association made its position clear yester-day. Mr Jack Smart, the chair-

man, argued that the Govern-

ment was considering a distri-

bution that would take away resources from the areas

where they were most needed.

"It would take grant from

every main city but it would hit hardest of all places such as Liver 2001, Manchester.

as Liver 100l, Manchester. Knowsley, South Tyneside and London itself, where there is

considerable need for invest-ment in urban renewal."

He had told Mr Shore.

Secretary of State for the

Environment, that the Govern

ment accepted that the rate

support grant was to be the prime source of funds to

Mr John Grugeon, chairman

said that since

and

of the counties local finance

1973-74 the Government had

raken money away from non-metropolitan counties and

give it to metropolitan areas.

committee,

large majorities to accept.
In Yorkshire, where Yorkshire, where Arthur Scargill, the left-wing area president, campaigned against the executive's recom-mendation to accept local incentives, voting is strongly against the coal board. The final figure is expected to be more than 70 per cent. One pit, Darfield has given a 90 per cent "no".

Scotland seems set to deliver a 75 per cent rejection and South Wales about 70 per cent. But Kent, the coalfield whose leaders unsuccessfully challenged in the High Court last week the decision of the union executive to hold the ballot.

By Heary Stanhope

food and charges.

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Defence Correspondent

Service chiefs of staff have

warned the Government of the

warned the Government of the serious effects that pay dis-putes might have on the Armed Forces' morale. Servicemen were embittered by their phase-

two rise last spring, because most and in some cases all of

t was swallowed by increased

There is now mounting con-

cern that if the Government gives, way to the police or the

miners the effect on recruit-

ment and wastage rates in the three Services might be severe.

According to one RAF cal-

culation, a flying officer after two years piloting a Jaguar

54,618. including £806 flying pay. That is slightly less than a police constable after four

years on the beat, if the police

man's £770 housing allowance and an average of £455 over-

time payments are taken into

RAF flight lieutenants earn-

ing an average basic rate of

traffic control centre work

Riongside civil controllers who receive £8.000. Civilian air

traffic control assistants would stand to earn £7,000 under the

Government's pay offer, more than twice the income of their

Mail to and from addresses in

the W1 postal district of Lon-don is being partly disrupted by unofficial action at the dis-trict sorting office in Rathbone Pize, Westminster.

Postal service delays

aircraft

accommodation

reported to have gone 60 to 40 against the scheme, Lancashire, another indicator, is said to be in favour by a slender margin. The moderate votes will

include the white-collar group-ing, colliery officials and staff area and the various crattsmen and ancillary areas. It was estimated last night that the overall vote would be about 53 per cent in ferour.

One left-wing coalfield leader said: "If they get a majority it will be carried by people

and even two army officers are

now getting assistance through

bate scheme, which reflects the

army wives and three fifths of RAF wives are going out to

work. Still more serious is the growing number of Service

men who take second jobs. In

some camps as many as one man in three is thought to have

of an increase next spring beyond the Government's 10

per cent guideline. But they say

food and accommodation charges should not be raised

again, and they want the review body to state bluntly in its

report that the Services have

a lot of catching up to do when restraints are lifted.

Ministry of Agriculture offi-

cials yesterday confirmed an outbreak of anthrax at Manor

arm, Hilderstone, near Stone,

Staffordshire, after a Friesian cow had been found dead.

Anthrax outbreak

a second inh

side the Forces.

Service chiefs' warning

of low morale on pay

appears likely to win only a 60 who are not involved with coalper cent "no".

North Derbyshire, usually regarded as a "barometer" pointing to the tational result, is second to have seen as a secon

Ballot papers are being returned today to the London office of the independent Electoral Reform Society for counting at the weekend. The result should be announced on Monday, and the union executive will meet on November 10 to discuss the next

Under the scheme face

workers would get a bonus of £23.50 on top of their basic rate if they achieved 100 per cent of an agreed weekly out-put target. Other mineworkers would get proportionately less

pledge on atom waste

Mr Millan said in his letter

Forces pay is decided by the Government after recommenda-tions from the Armed Forces that the Atomic Energy Authority proposed to investi Pay Review Body (AFPRB) which has the task of maintaining comparability between Service pay and that of equivalent civilian jobs. It also has to keep food and accommodation charges in line with those out-The Services calculate that their pay is between 20 and 25 per cent behind that of comparable civilian workers, because of civilian "wage drift".

Service chiefs see no chance

Mr Millan said the Atomic Energy Authority would be looking in the Loch Doon area. He was not aware that it had applied to drill elsewhere.

Stamps to mark coronation

The Post Office will issue a set of stamps on May 31 to mark the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Queen's coronation. In March, stamps on architecture will feature

The first issues of the new year will be on January 25 and will feature energy. On July 5 a set of stamps will mark the centenary of the Shire Horse Society, and on Angust 2 stamps on cycling will coincide with the centenary year of the Cyclists' Touring Club and the British Cycling Federation.

Government

Mr Millan, Secretary of State for Scotland, has promised that proposals for nuclear waste diseconomic difficulties of some of the Army's 80,349 families. An estimated two fifths of posal will require approval from the Government. That would follow consultation with local authorities and other bodies and would be given only on the basis it was safe.

Mr Millan's assurance was in a letter to Mr Edward Taylor, MP for Glasgow Cathcart and shadow Scottish Secretary.

gate certain types of geological formations to see if they might be suitable for waste disposal. Planning permission would be required for drilling, but it would relate to research purposes only, not to actual deposit of waste.

radiation in Windscal fish eaters From Pearce Wright

Science Editor

Increased

An increase in the levels caesium 137 in the bodies 17 volunteers who agreed to fish caught in the Irish S. near the waste discharge pi from the Windscale nucle fuel plant is shown in a repo made public yesterday.

The measurements come fro a test requested by Mr Justi Parker inspector at the Wil scale inquiry, at Whitehave Cumbria, to assess the possil risk to public health from co tamination of fish.

Although the investigation not regarded as a definiti scientific study it shows he radiation levels rose when fi in the normal diet of the volu teers was taken exclusive from a known area, as oppos to the normal practice of e ing fish of unknown origin. The volunteers stayed their normal diet. Amour eaten ranged from 6-oz of fi a week to 33 oz for a loc fisherman in the group; he h the highest concentration caesium in the body. It amou ted to 8 per cent of the safe limit for this substance reco mended by the Internation Commission for Radiologic Protection.

In other individuals the leve ranged from 1 per cent to per cent of the limits. The tes were arranged by Profess John Fremlin, of Birmingha University, a consultant Cumbria County Council, which is supporting an application for the expansion of Windscale, at Mr Christopher Haworth, reresenting Friends of the Eart

Sixteen of the subjects atte ded for measurements at for nightly intervals in a speci-cubicle at Windscale in which tiny amounts of radiation in the concentrations observed in the lower than for the first thre because fish for the last perio was caught off the Kirkcus

brightshire coast.
Very small quantities c radioactivity are involved, bu they assume greater significanc for those critics of nuclea waste discharge who argue tha safety limits need tightening b

Mr Thorpe denies cover-up and condemns 'vicious' rumours

The following statement was seen me there on an earlier occa- set had been seen and retained by

the light of new allegations add to what I have said before. If I fail to deal with every pew and altered story which has recently appeared in the press it is because I have found it impossible to keep abreast with all the ruthless and vicious dissemination of rumours and specusemination of rumours and speculations, which have been published seemingly without regard to whether they are true or false. I very much welcome the statement that these allegations are to be investigated by the police, to whom they should have been made in the first place, although I appreciate that that might not have been as lucrative for those

who made them. Although not a scrap of evidence Atthough not a scrap of evidence has been produced to implicate me in any alleged plot to hire somebody to murder Norman Scott, I am inevitably at the centre of the affair because of my relationship with Scott in the early 1960s. Much has been alleged about this short relationship and I should therefore reship and I should therefore re-terate the extent of it.

have been as lucrative for those

I have no recollection of meeting Scott prior to mis sending in a green card in the House of Commons in 1961, though he had been employed by a friend or mine in the country and may well have

issued yesterday by Mr Jeremy
Thorpe, MP:

When he called on me at Westminster late one afternoon in 1961 Scott was down on his luck and I felt geduinely sorry for must stress that anyone expecting sensational revelations is likely to be disappointed. What I wish to do now is to repeat and in 160 seemed to me in all the servers to go and seemed to me in all the letters with an importance, that they did not merit. to go and seemed to me in an hysterical state on the verge of suicide. For that night I brought bim back to my mother's house, where I was currently staying. Thereafter I tried to belp him in

Thereafter I tried to belp him in various ways. He is neither the only nor the first person I have tried to help. But a close and even affectionate friendship developed from this sympathy. However, no sexual activity of any kind ever took place. Unfortunately he became too dependent and demanding in terms of attention and at a later stage I turned to Mr Bessell, then a close colleague, in the hope that he might be able to help Scott on an impersonal basis.

an impersonal basis. The effect of this severance of my personal interest in his problems produced a serious effect on Scott and his subsequent incredible reactions were, of course an embarrassment to me, and, when he made them known to the

an embarrasment to me, and, when he made them known, to the Liberal Party
I was at no time a party to any form of cover-up or attempt to put pressure on Scott. I did not know of Mr David Holmes's negotiations to buy any letters and had I known of these negotiations I would have stopped them at once. I would have been able to tell him that at least three Fleet Street newspapers were already in posnewspapers were already in pos-session of them and at least one

attempts to buy off Mr Scott. I

my behalf.
In 1971, as a consequence of renewed allegations by Scott, three senior members of the Liberal Party at my own request interviewed Scott and were satisfied that there was nothing in his allegations. One of the statements made by Scott to the three Liberals was that he had been arrested in 1964 or 1965 when entering the House of Commons armed with a gun with intern to murder me, a fact of which I was totally unaware.

I then felt that the police were the only proper people to investigate this matter. I went to the Home Secretary to draw his attention to the ficial secretary to draw his attention to the ficial secretary. Home Secretary to draw his attention to this incident. The Home Secretary had told me I was free to discuss the matter with the Commissioner of Police and, accordingly. I spoke to him when he informed me that there was no record of any such incident and that one might safely conclude that it had never happened.

Regarding the alleged South African connexions, Sir Harold Wilson informed me of his view, which he had publicly stated in the House of Commons, that the

ithink your shoep are out again."

instigation of a non-governmental of a newspaper man the financial of a non-governmental police have asked to see me again. No approach has been made to me by the police. If they wish to see me, I will, of course, do everything the police. If they wish to see me, I will, of course, do everything the police. If they wish to see me, I will, of course, do everything the police. If they wish to see me, I will, of course, do everything the police. If they wish to see me, I will, of course, do everything the police have asked to see me again to approach has been made to me by the police. If they wish to see me again. nave never met Mr Newton. I have had no direct or indirect communication with Mr Newton. I dever communicated with him either before he was in jail, when he was in jail or since he came out of jail. I have made no payment to Mr Newton. I have no payment helps.

no arrangements made by anyone to pay Mr Newton. At the trial of Newton in May,

1976, Mr Lewis Hawser, QC, in his opening speech for the prosecution said: "Police inquiries were made and revealed no link between Newton and any of the people it might be suggested he was being instructed or paid by." Subsequently Det Sergeant Hinde, cross-examined by Mr Patrick Back, QC, for the defence, said:

detence, said:

"After the 29.1.76 the police made a considerable number of extensive and thorough inquiries to ascertain whether there was any connexion between Newton and any member of the Liberal Perty or any of the persons mentioned by Scott. The result was that there was nothing what sever found to was nothing whatsoever found to connect Newton with any of these people. There is no link what-seever between Newton and any person who has been named by

harm Mr Scott. I would have been horrified at any such suggestion. As far as Mr Bessell is concerned. As far as Mr Bessell is concerned, it is my considered opinion if he had credible evidence to offer he Mr Newton is reported as saying

Mr Newton is reported as saying that on coming out of prison he was paid a sum of £5,000 in cash in recognition of his unsuccessful attempt to discharge his alleged contractual obligations and it is said that he has tape recordings and other evidence to prove his story. Having made these allegations to the press, for which he is said to have been demanding astronomical sums of money, he first disappeared and has now surfirst disappeared and has now surfaced and is reported to be pres-ently assisting the police.

endy assisting the police.

It would be insane to presend that the reemergence of this story has not placed an almost intolerable-strain on my wife, my family and on me. Only their stoadfast loyalty and the support of many friends, known and unknown, from all over the country have strengthened my resolve and determination to meet this challenge. Consequently I have no intention of resigning nor have I received a single request to do so from my constituency association.

'Those with evidence should go to police'

-and it is not any breach of that rule—that the discussions on these matters were more than one; they were lengthy and I would regard them on Privy Councillor terms."

Mr Thorpe said be had that there was no such South African connexion. "I would African connexion. "I would not be prepared to put it re high as that", he replied. A memorandum prepared by Mr Peter Hain had been passed to Sir Harold Wilson. "It is fair to say that his deductions and conclusions were not based exclusively on that memorandum", Mr Thorpe said.

When he was asked about the when he was asked abour me payments made to Mr Scott by Mr Peter Bessell, who was then Liberal MP for Bodmin, Mr Thorpe said: "Since the payments were made without my knowledge, I think you will bave to ask Mr Bessell.

Mr Fred Emery, political

involved in the "mander plot". Alleged approached him. I have heard a variety of names mer tioned and I do not intend to have many duties but I do not believe it would be right to spect believe one of them is investi
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Mr Thorpe aserted that it was not his job to follow up all the allegations in the press, but he did ask his wife whether she was involved, when he saw in the Evening News that a lady was said to have offered £5,000 was said to have offered £5,000 to have Mr Scott shot. She was not "It is not my job, and if I may humbly say so, it is not your job; it is the job of the police", Mr Thorpe said.

After referring to the changes Mr Bessell had made in his story about a visit to Dublin

his story about a visit to Dublin to see Mr Scott, Mr Thorpe said: "I have no wish to enter into a vendenta with Mr Bessell. All I would ask you to do is to evaluate the reliability of his evidence.

evidence. Another correspondent

editor of The Times, asked what steps. The period taken in discover the much in the allegations that a leading Liberal was involved in the "marder plot".

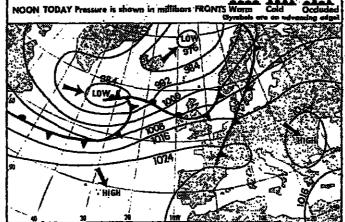
Mr Thorpe replied: "I believe

is that we are dealing with possibly a very serious criminal marer, with very serious criminal marer, with very serious allegation with a suggestion that there was attempt, not only to murde: M Newton, who, I gather, was invover three times by a lover miraculously survived and the charged himself the following dafrom hospital.

If people believe that they be form, concrete evidence it seem.

from the confidence and trust have in the police, the first scale must be to put these matters to the police. If Bessell has at

ted to know whether Mr Weather forecast and recordings



Today Lest quarter: November 4.
Lighting up: 5.11 pm to 6.19 am.
Eligh water: London Bridge, 2.26
am, 7.4m (24.4ft): 2.37 pm, 7.4m
(24.2ft). Avonmouth, 7.51 am,
13.1m (43.0ft): 8.12 pm, 13.1m
(43.0ft). Dover, 11.39 am, 6.7m
(22.0ft): 11.55 pm, 6.6m (21.8ft).
Hull, 6.32 am, 7.2m (23.8ft): 6.55
pm, 7.2m (23.8ft). Liverpool, 11.50
am, 9.2m (30.1ft).

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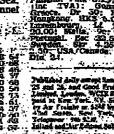
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scottand: Rather cloudy, bright immerals, some rain at times; wind SW fresh or strong, max temp 11°C (52°F).

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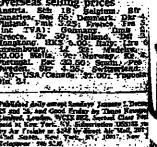
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ing moderate.
St George's Channel: Wind ;
fresh, locally strong;
moderate to rough.
Irish Sea: Wind SW, stron sea rough or very rough.

Yesterday

London: Temp: mar. 6 am 6 pm. 16°C (61°F); min, 6 pm 5 am, 11°C (52°F). Humidity, pm, 76 per cent. Rain, 24 br & pm, nil. Sun, 24 br to 6 pm, 2.2. Bar, mean sea level, 5 pm, 102 millibara, rising. 1,000 milibars=29.53m.





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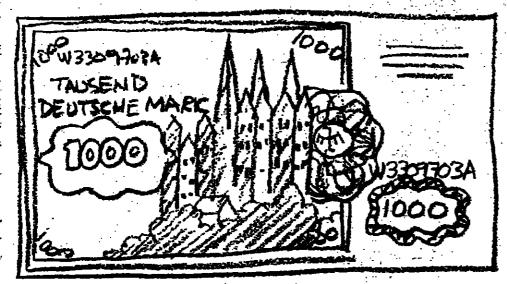
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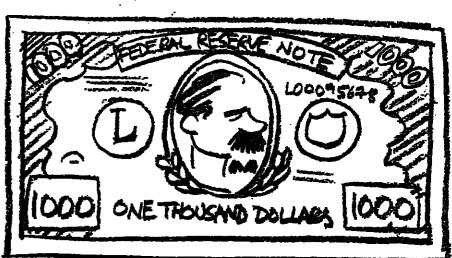
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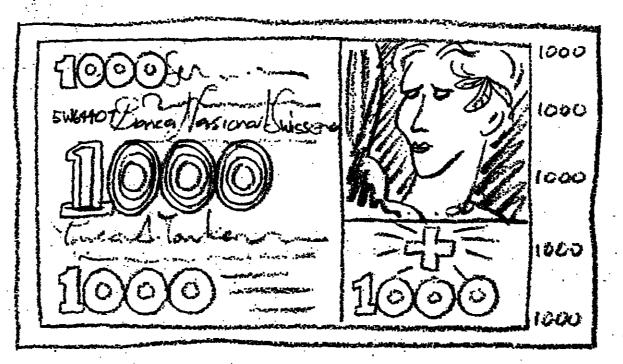
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A NatWest

mbudsman blames health departments for ardy warning on whooping cough vaccine

Ev John Roper

Health Services Correspondent Not until the Association of Farents of Vaccine-Damaged in dren raised the issue in 1974 did government health ^c 2partments belatedly consider hether they should give speci-fic warnings to parents about the possible dangers of whooping cough immunization, Sir Idwal Pugh, the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration (Ombudsman), says in a

report published yesterday. He dismissed a suggestion made at a press conference on his report that it was a white-wash. But Mr Jack Ashley, Labour MP for Stoke-on-Treut, South, who is campaigning for compensation for children who suffer brain damage as a result of vaccination, condemned the Ombudsman's "frail judgment" and said he had shied away from the logic of his own words. report failed to condemn the health departments for "six silent and shameful years".

Sir Idwal said at the press conference about the "biggest investigation he had done in his 18 months of office" that he upheld the complaints made about lack of information, put the responsibility squarely on the health departments and the health departments and hoped that the report would add to the pressure for com-pensation. It could be used in

pensation. It could be used in evidence, he said.

Mr Ashley said Sir Idwal had been sadly remiss about checking whether doctors, nurses and health visitors made sure that a child was fit for immunization and that there were no contra-indications, which he found a covinus were no contra-indications, which he found a curious

Mrs Rosemary Fox, president of the Association of Parents of Vaccine-Damaged

Irish beef

by farmers

By Hugh Clayton Cattle farmers decided yes-

terday to protest to the Government about beef imports

from the Irish Republic, which

they say are undermining their trade. Sir Henry Plumb, presi-

dent of the National Farmers'

Union, has agreed to lead a group of Welsh farmers to pro-

test to Mr Silkin, Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and

They decided to make a for-

mal protest after publication by the Meat and Livestock

Commission of data that

showed a large increase in im-

ports from Irsland this year. The commission said imports

of beef in the first eight months of this year totalled half as much again as in the

Some Irish beef had undoub

tedly been sent to Great Britain because of lack of

storage in the republic for that country's colossal beef moun-

tain. Mr Thomas Rosser, chairman

of the Council for Wales of the NFU, said: "The Cabines

are going to sit up and take

Welsh farmers are in There

will be no respite until

farmers are given the means

by which they can compete with their counterparts in

A dispute has come to light

at Hull University in which

first-year students refused to

take a spelling, grammar and

punctuation test set for them by Professor Arthur Pollard, a

senior member of the English

department, who is known for his criticisms of the compre-

The test was not difficult, it

ned such words "nucleus" and

seems. Professor Pollard said

vesterday that the spelling

hensive school system.

section contained such

as "beroes",

of the angry mood

comparable months of 1976.

protest

Children, which has 380 cases on its lists, thought the report was very disappointing. It was weak and would do nothing to tighten administration of the vaccination programme.

"All it seems to say is that where things were wrong they are now right," she said. "But I do not think that this is the

Family doctors needed clearer guidance and instructions and should be given specific examples of adverse reactions for which to look. Parents should be told everything there is to know about

That, Sir Idwal said at the press conference, was being done as far as was reasonably possible, in his opinion. As far as the transmission of

report upheld the complaint. The Government's аппочисеment that it agreed in principle to the payment of compensation for children seriously damaged by vaccines had, in a sense, preempted his report, Sir Idwal added. It had a bearing on the way the report had been

The report states that although the health departments sought in a sense to limit and minimize their role they were of central importance. The departments gave the appearance of thinking that their role consisted of transmitting scientific and expert opinion from specialist and highly expert committees, down a medical channel. But it should be much more

fundamental, Responsibility for accepting expert advice, deciding whether alternative and differing views should be con-

East, Labour Party accused of

defying a High Court ban on a

meeting of their management

committee were cleared of con-

that Mr John Hart, of Chel-

tenham Gardens, East Ham,

who was secretary of the meet-

ing on September 28, and Mr

Owen Ashworth, of Plashet

Grove, East Ham, a committee

member, had not been properly informed of the court injunc-

and Mr Ashworth committed to

and Consumer Protection yes-terday circulated a draft of

proposed rules to interested

The regulations, to be made

under the European Communi-ties Act, 1972, and the Con-

sumer Protection Act, 1961, will require generally that

Students refused to take an English test

For Professor Pollard

test was not an examination of

individual students, but a "diagnostic test". For the

students it seemed that they

were being used by the pro-fessor to provide ammunition

in a continuing campaign against the comprehensive

Some staff members of the

English department who disagreed with the idea of the

"practise" (used as a verb). test went to the president of but it was enough to make him But it got caught up in the the students union. He called want to go on with his research.

school system.

bodies.

tion banning the meeting. faction

A move to have Mr Hart party.

tempt of court yesterday.

Three Labour officials

committee were cleared of con-empt of court yesterday.

Mr Justice Peter Pain held East Ham; Mr Alan Haworth, that Mr John Hart, of Chel-

prison for contempt was dis-missed. As a result, a similar brought against either Mr Hart

move against another com- or Mr Ashworth. He awarded mittee member, Mr John costs to them and to Mr Rowse.

Safety rules for cosmetics

controversy over the merits or a meeting of the first-year stu-

comprehensive dents, at which they were

cleared of contempt



Sir Idwal Pugh: "Biggest information was concerned, his inquiry in 18 months."

mitting information with the authority of the departments lay only with them.

For six years after whooping cough vaccine had been included in the national immunization programme the health departments gave no advice to doctors about reservations on vaccinating some children. From 1963 onwards the advice issued should have been enough to alert practitioners to the need for care and clinical judgment in the individual case. Bearing in mind that the departments were not the only source of information, it was thought they had acted reasonably in that respect.

Sir Idwal says in his report that there was force in the departments view that it was for doctors to tell patients about risks and contra-indications; sulted or accepted, and trans- but he did not think the same

The hearing of committal

applications against the remain-

ing four will continue today. They are Mr Andrew Bevan,

Mr Phillip Bradbury, of Sand-ringham Road, Forest Gate; and Mr Thomas Jenkins, of Kemp-

The committal applications were made by Mr Patrick Milsom, a member of a rival

faction in the constituency

ton Road, East Ham.

pecity

products must not contain, and

restrict other substances and

They will implement the EEC

directive of July 27, 1976, relat-

ing to cosmetic products. That,

besides a general safety re-

quirement, lists 360 substances

advised not to take the test.

students in the English depart-

ment took that advice and stayed away from the test, even

though it was supposed to be compulsory. Only about 11 took it, together with some

took it, together with some students from other depart-

The result, according to Pro-

fessor Pollard, was that the

sample was not enough to enable him to draw conclusions

Most of the 130 first-year

argument applied to adverse reaction from a vaccination.
Parents should have had better information because they were in the best position to observe a child's reactions. The health departments missed an opportunity of helping doc-tors, and of safeguarding against unwitting administration of repeat injections in unsuitable cases, when they omitted to give parents an idea of what to expect as a reaction to vaccination.

Archbishops'

over woman

Religious Affairs Correspondent

A public repristand for the

their churches to be used by an American woman priest to celebrate Holy Communion has been issued by the two Arch-bishops of the Church of Eng-

land, Dr Coggan, of Canter-bury, and Dr Blanch, of York.

They say in a statement that they are aware that Christian

opinion in Britain has been dis

turbed by the news from the dioceses of Manchester and

Newcastle that a woman has

been permitted to celebrate Holy Communion. "We do not doubt the sin-

certy of those who were in-volved", they say, "but we deeply regret that the incum-

bents concerned have seen

fit not only to disregard the law, to which, by virtue

of theor office, they have assented, but also to override

the synodical procedures by which the practice of the Church of England in such matters is determined."

They express the hope that

the clergy of the two provinces

will not permit any actions that would prejudice the resumed discussion next summer in the

General Synod after the Lam-beth Conference.

a serious subject, and deserves to be treated seriously", the statement concludes. The two clergymen concerned were the Rev Alfred Willetts, of the

Church of the Apostles, Man-chester, and the Rev Ian Harker, of St Thomas's, New-castle. Earlier this month they

invited the Rev Alison Palmer, an ordained priest of the United States Episconalian (Anglican)

Stares Episconalian (Anglican)
Church, to officiate at services
in their churches.
Both have had discussions
with their own bishops.
Supporters of the ordination
of women are expected to press
the archbishops at the meeting
of the General Synod next
month to change their policy
on validly ordained woman
priests from overseas who visit
Britain

They will be asked to explain

churches, although the Roman Catholic Church does not offi-

cially recognize Anglican orders

Front attacked

as 'puppet'

"The ordination of women is

reprimand

priest

By Clifford Longley

On the question of compensation, although the Govern-ment has agreed that there is a case in principle, it is still awaiting the report of the Royal Commission on Civil Liability and Compensation for Personal Injury, which was appointed in

Whooping cough runs in four weekly cycles and experts pre-dicted yesterday that the com-ing winter may see an epidemic of 20,000 to 30,000 cases, some of them more serious because of the big drop in vaccination. One child in a thousand who contracts the disease dies. Estimates of complications of vac-cination vary from one in 20,000 to one in a million. It is generally considered by doctors that the risk that may be car-ried by vaccination is more than justified

A £150,000 newspaper advertising campaign to encourage parents to have their children vaccinated, due to start today, has been postponed until next week, because it would have clashed with the Ombudsman's the Department of Health said vesterday.

Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration, sixth report, Whooping Cough Vaccination (Stationery Office, 45p).

Leading article, page 15

Edinburgh **Festival** yields £1m Three of the seven left-wing Rowse, of Holly Crescent, members of Newham, North- Windsor, was withdrawn.

The Edinburgh Festival generated less than 51m towards local income last year, according to a report by rise Scottish Tourist Board and Lothian Regional Council.

They will be asked to explain the reasons for their present policy, particularly in the light of practice in some Roman Catholic dioceses on the Continent who have permitted Anglican clergy to celebrate Anglican Holy Communion in Roman Catholic parish churches although the Roman The report, prepared by Mr Roger Vaughan, of the Department of Economics at Heriot-Watt University, said the festi-val, the Fringe, the rattoo, and the film festival, together earned £3.7m but after allowing for the amount leaving the area only £960,000 of local income was left.

A similar analysis by the Philadelphia Cultural Afriance found that the festival was worth about £17.5m to Edin-

Two areas being questioned are the local income from the film festival which was set at £2,000, when the organizers paid more than £3,000 in rents and employed a staff of 30, and the reports Safety regulations are to be cosmetic products in normal use introduced for cosmetic proshould not harm health. They ducts. The Department of Prices will specify substances that visitors to Edinburgh, when accounted for by visitors attending festival events.

Judge's stern

woman muggers

Judge Gwyn Morris, QC, said at the Central Criminal Court yesterday that he was terrified

by a new aspect of crime.

woman muggers.

Three Bermondsey women had been found guilty of robbing an Indian hospital nurse on her way home from work.

Mrs Dorothy Parsons, aged 26, of Staple Street, was jailed for two years. The judge said she had been the ringleader and her conduct had been out-

her conduct had been out-rageous and disgraceful. Mrs

Linda Lawrence, aged 19, of Newcomen Street, was sent for

borstal training. Sentence on Mrs Lillian O'Keefe, aged 19,

of Tennis Street. was adjourned for probation reports.

Mrs Barbara Mills, for the

prosecution, had told the court, that the three left a public house near London Bridge station late at night last Nov-

ember. They attacked Mrs Niru Morarji, aged 26, from Clapton,

east London, taking her shop-ping bag containing an um-brella, personal items and £20.

Restrictions on the movement of jet aircraft at night will be

Gatwick from next Tuesday.

Night flights cut

warning to

woman muggers.

of socialists The National Front attacked as "puppers of socia-list intellectuals" in a pamphlet published today. The author, Mr Stephen Eyres, a member

of the right-wing National Asso-ciation for Freedom, says the National Front is firmly on the collectivist left. the the "But while National Front and Socialist Workers' Party have so much

in common", he says, "the National Front is 10 times more lethal." National Front is a Socialist

Young people are showing a discernible upsurge of innerest

in studying science and en-gineering, Sir Brian Flowers,

College of Science and Techno-logy, London, said in his com-

memoration day address to the

Undergraduate applications

to the college last year had reached the Lighest figure for

10 years. That trend had been firmly maintained. Appli-

cations for this year's entry

7,000, and the coffege's intake

"We have read in recent

years a great deal about the disenchangment of the young

with science and technology", Sir Brian said. "If this atti-

tude ever really existed it seems that a significant change

He welcomed in particular

the Government's recent deci-

of mind is under way.

By Our Education

college yesterday.

of undergraduates, record, was 1,132.

More wish to take courses

in science and technology

battered women Act "I am furious", she said yesterday. "The Act is clearly not being interpreted in the way it was intended. I did not have to fight at all to have cohabitees included in it, as I did not have other matters." Social Services Correspondent A battered woman will return to a refuge in London today because a county court judge has ruled that her cohabitee cannot be excluded did with some other matters."
The Act is intended to enable from their joint home. It is the third case in which the courts have decided that unhattered women, whether married or not, to obtain nonmarried women do not have the

molestation orders against violent men quickly and have them excluded from their homes. Miss Jennifer Davis, aged 21, obtained an exclusion order against her cohabitee after his violence had caused her and their daughter, Cordelia aged two, m seek refuge at Chiswick battered wives

centre.
But the man appealed against the exclusion order, and be-cause of two recent High Court judgments that unmarried ment helped in drafting the Bill and showed no reluctance women have not the same rights as wives under property laws the appeal was allowed.

Allowance for more disabled

Autumn leaves as the setting for the Tiverton

stag hounds, being led amid cottages at Knowstone, Devon, by Mr Ray Giles.

MP attacks courts over

Ry Pat Healy

people will be able to claim help with their mobility are exmobility allowance for the first time from November 2. The new group brought into the scheme will receive the extension Commons written reply, is expected to bring in about 6,000

same rights as wives in expel-ling violent men from their

homes, although the Domestic Violence and Matrimonial Pro-

ceedings Act specifically in-cluded them.

Miss Josephine Richardson, Labour MP for Barking and

architect of the Act, has written privately to the Lord Chancellor for clarification on

the way it is being interpreted. The Lord Chancellor's depart-

to include cohabitees, Miss

people aged between 53 and 55. More than 50,000 disabled people aged between five and 53 receive the allowance, worth £5 subject to tax but rising on November 17 to £7 a week. Front, by Stephen Eyres (Aims November 17 to £7 a week. for Freedom and Enterprise, 45p). Eventually 100,000 disabled

sion that the college should

develop a new four-year en-

course oriented towards manufacturing industry. The intake

for the course would be limited to students of high A-

level attainment who had also

the industrial leaders of a more

Trend to engineering: There

have been many more applica-

tions for undergraduate engineering and physics courses next year, preliminary returns to the Universities Central

Council on Admissions show.

Applications for electrical.

mechanical and general engi-neering courses and for physics

are all up by more than 12 per

cent compared with this time

of more than 8 per cent in applications for dentistry, law,

About a fifth of the expected

prosperous future", he said.

undergraduate

A new group of disabled people who have received no allowance from February 1, six months after the 51 to 53 age group, the last to be included The Government is committed

to phase in different age groups over three years, ending late in 1979: But claims from some groups have been small enough

for the age timetable to be Attempt to end

newspaper dispute fails

By Our Labour Staff The National Union of Journalists is to meet the Newspaper Publishers Association next week to discuss the closed-shop dispute the eatening closure of the London Evening

been able to actract sponsor-ship from selected industrial companies. "We aim to produce A meeting between union-officials and management at the paper failed to reach agree ment on the dispute involving Mr Keith Sharp, the assistant

City editor. The meeting followed a letter to journalists from Mr Louis Kirby, editor of the paper, say-ing that closure seemed to him inevitable if the dispute was

not settled. The NUJ chapel (office branch) is refusing to handle copy by Mr Sharp, a member of the Institute of Journalists, on the ground that there is the custom and practice" of 100 per cent post-entry union

membership. An NUJ statement yesterday condemned the letter from Mr Kirby as a "naked threat"

Legality of school girls' quota doubted

By Lucy Hodges, of The Times Educational Supplement Boys' public schools that have started to admit girls on a quota basis may be breaking the law. Since 1975 independent schools going coeducations gradually have had to apply for exemption from the Se: Discrimination Act, which ou:

laws quotas.
The Equal Opportunitie
Commission has had only or such application, from Fran lingham College, Suffolk, whic this term began accepting u to 25 day girls a year into i junior school.

Other public schools the have gone coeducational on que a system, such as Taunte School, Somerset, and Oakher School Leicestershire, hav done so without applying for transitional exemption order Oakham has 350 girls and 60 boys, and is having to ture away about twice as many boarding applications from girk as it has places.

Taunton, which has placed for only 50 girl boarders, is also having to turn many girls away. It cannot expand to meet the demand until it can fine the money for new buildings.
The commission said that schools that had not applied for exemption orders would be asked to do <0.

The commission is also worried about the number of public schools taking girls in the synt form. In an article in today's Times Educational Supplement Miss Betty Lork wood, the commission's chairman, suggests that they mo may be in breach of the Sex

Discrimination Act. Schools are not considered coeducational, and therefore subject to the Act, if they take small numbers of the opposite sex and confine them to narricular courses or classes. Thu has been interpreted by some schools as meaning that they can admit up to a tenth of girls to do A levels with boys.

challenging that interpretation. Miss Lockwood suggests that schools may take a minority of girls to do specific subjects, but not to do full ranges of A

Landowner in shooting incident jailed

A landowner was jailed by Stafford Crown Court for two years yesterday for shooting at five boys on his land and killing their dog. Judge Garrard said he would be failing in his public duty if he had suspended the sentences and let the man

go free. Edward Longshaw, aged 46. of Hardingwood, Kidgrove, had been convicted of wounding Paul Posmych, of Victoria Avenue, Kidsgrove, with intento cause grievous bodily barm: possessing a 12-bore shotgum with intent to endanger life; and killing the dog. He admit ted possessing a firearm with

He was said by the prosecution to have fired at the boys from 50 yards' range when he

caught them hunting rabbits or He said he fired over their

heads to scare them off. The prosecution said he "vented has anger" on the dog by shooting it once, then killing it. The boys were in a four-acre

piece of land that Mr Long shaw had fenced off as a play area to protect his two epiled nic daughters, aged 10 and 12. "He was concerned that the fences would be damaged". Me David Hales, for the defence

Marines' music school to move

The Ministry of Defence is to transfer the Royal Marines School of Music from Deal 10 Portsmouth, but completion is not expected until 1981.

The move is expected to pu many civilian jobs at the Royal Marines barracks at Deal at risk.

Scots universities David Walker writes

Glasgow in the first of a series of profiles of the anciers Scottish universities in Thi Times Higher Education Supple ment today. Jean Blonds argues that the French social ists may be better off withou their communist allies.

Commission's potato report 'obscure' By Our Agricultural sion scrupulously refrained from saying whether it thought there was profiteering. It left such com-

last year.

sion came close to accusing traders of profiteering on potatoes. It muttered about percentage profits being as high as when potatoes cost half as much. It whispered that traders were losing custom because shoppers were turning to

had adjusted fully to the fall in farm prices. "It may be that as time goes on market forces will bring margins back to a lower level." The statement was lower level." The statement was so tentative that it was impossible to decide whether the commission was telling wholesalers and greengrocers to cut their profits or whether it was merely thinking aloud about the market.

The commission has now respect to the commission of the comm

excess profits they were isolated. There seems little doubt that the refusal of shoppers to buy as many potatoes as usual during the shortage forced wholesalers and greengrocers to accept sharp cuts If anyone was making excess

profits, it was not the greengrocer, who was not only forced to sell a product of low quality but also faced public anger about high prices and poor quality, over which he had little comrol. Between August, 1975, and Feb-

ruary. 1976, the average shop price rose by more than half while the cash profit taken by traders after the crop had been sold from farms increased by slightly less than a third. It was also a profit

indicate that growers of postate were more successful than whos salers and shopkeepers in keepi ments to ministers, who insisted in the face of angry denunciations from backbench MPs and con-That helps to explain the shorts.

That helps to explain the persistent demands from owners of circles shops for greater consumer replication on the Potato Marketil Board, or whatever replaces it never the construction of the persistent of the pe sumer groups that the level of profits was acceptable. Examination of figures published throughout the investigation sug-gests that if any people did make

The commission remains sile about all those things. Its late of the days when it seemed to about prices much more thank controlled them. It is also to his such report, so that the controlled them is also to mission's opinion about allegatio of profiteering on poratoes we remain a mystery.

remain a mystery.

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FYOUSMELL GAS-RINGUS

If you smell gas, remember the simple safety rules:-

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Duke of Edinburgh takes a gloomy view of the future From Ronald Faux Edinburgh The Duke of Edinburgh last most important of all, the

night presented a gloomy view of what life might be like in the year 2000. Speaking on Radio Clyde, he said the recent past suggested that professional and political party administrawould have achieved almost complete responsibility by the end of the century. It looks at the moment as if

increasing bureaucracy, bureaucratic involvement in almost every aspect of the lives of individual citizens ", be said. If the experience of other countries was saything to go by that would gradually reduce freedom of choice and individual responsibility. It would particularly apply in such areas as housing, educa-tion, health care, the ability to acquire or inherit personal property, to hand on com-mercial enterprises, the ability to provide for old age through

we can expect to see an

freedom of the individual to exploit his skills or talents Again drawing on the experience of other countries, the Duke suggested that individual commercial and industrial initiative would be greatly restricted. The opportunities for marginally legal and illegal activities would increase as a consequence of the growing volume of legislation that it

Black markets might begin to flourish while the main finan-cial and commercial markets declined. Consumer products would tend towards an average standard with the gradual elim-ination of better quality items, The take-home element of wages and salaries would be-come relatively less important as all the main necessities were provided free; in other words, out of texation, and also because fringe benefits associated with

would not be possible to enforce he said.

employment and trade unions

Correspondent

sociology and history.

In May the Price Commissubstitutes.

The commission has now reported again, and aithough prices have continued to fast the percentage margin has stayed as high as it was in May. The comment this time is even more obscure than before. It observes that the market appears to have returned to its state before the period of high prices and shortages between lare 1975 and early 1977.

Throughout its period of inves





"And that ends this month's board meeting. It'll be shown again next Vionday at 1pm."

Board meetings shown like television programmes?

It's not a glimpse into the future.
Nor is it one or two trendy companies
practising open management.

It's an idea used regularly by one of the largest corporations in the country to show shop floor staff and middle management what goes on behind the closed doors of the boardroom.

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So that staff and customers, in say, Nairobi, can learn about a break-through made in London in a matter of days.

It's good for morale. And sales.

Another company uses the portable U-Matic to record the Sales Director giving training advice. So that even if a salesman is working the Scottish region he can still get a refresher course from the best salesman in the company.

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Social workers link suicide with high-rise development

Demolition of flats sought over nervous complaints and crime

People living in tall blocks district, was Manchester's first of flats are seven times more attempt to break away from likely to commit suicide than the building of tower blocks anyone else, a group of social workers in Manchester says at a report published yesterday.

The Huime People's Rights people live in maisonettes and multistorey blocks in a former slum area just south of the city centre. Centre calls for thedemolition

The report says that a survey showed that half the people in the development suffer from nervous complaints. Last month a woman, aged 26, leapt to dearh with ber twovear-old son from the eleventh floor of a block in Birmingham. The report says people in the Hulme development are 31 times more likely to be the rictims of crime than people living elsewhere and 41 times

more likely to be murdered. "Demolition is the only answer. Two thirds of it must be flattened to the ground and real homes built", the report

Minister is

over M-way

Midlands motorway scheme accused the Secretary of State

for the Environment yesterday of treating them in a high-

Mr John Bushell, of Leigh

Way, Bromsgrove, are seeking an order in the High Court

approval of the £60m scheme, on which construction is to

They said he approved sections of the M40 and M42 south

of Birmingham after receiving

undisclosed information and evidence on which objectors

had no opportunity to be heard.

Mr John Bushell, whose pro-perty is affected, said in written evidence that objectors felt "frustrated and shut out" at

not being able to make repre-

sentations on new evidence submitted after completion of the public inquiry into the scieme.

The Secretary of State bad

taken new factors into account

and had drawn wrong conclu-sions, Mr Bushell said. He had

denied objectors the chance to

challenge his decision in a high-

the way the decision was

in favour was made on the surength of traffic forecasts, but

recent general predictions had

reduced the forecast of traffic

The hearing continues today.

BBC to change

frequencies for

radio networks

The four main BBC radio net-

works are moving to new wave-lengths next year. The Sm scheme is designed to minimize

the effects of interference from

foreign stations and to make the

services available to more

The changes are the result of an international frequency agreement which comes into force on November 23 next year.

As a result all long and medium wavelengths for the main BBC

networks have had to be altered. Listeners may have to buy new

radios to listen to particular

The changes are as follows: Radio Three: Moves to 247 metres (1215 kHz) on medium wave. Most listeners will need to tune to VHF

Radio Four: Moves from medium to long wave 1,500m (200kHz) in central Scotland 1322m (227kHz). Radio Two: Moves from long to medium wave 433m (693kHz) and

330m (909kHz). Radio One: Takes over 257m (1089kHz) and 285m (1053kHz) on

Ey Martin Huckerby

He said the inspector at the

and undemocratic

start in 1979-80.

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accused

The redevelopment was the first in the city on a mass scale. Instead of moving families out street by street and rehousing them in new blocks

blocks in the redevelopment. Most of the housing consists of squares of maisonette blocks and deck access terraces. An attempt was made to integrate shops and social service centres with the housing although it was not entirely successful because of restrictions on public spending.

Most of the original Hulme dwellers were rehoused in outlying estates, such as Wythen-shawe and Hattersley, but since families started moving into the reconstructed district from other parts of the city Hulme has had a reputation for crime, vice, suicides and stress.

Condemnation, however, is not unanimous. A group led

John Chartres writes: The redevelopment of Hulme, once a typical back-to-back slum fears that have almost reached

The group maintains that the

area has many advantages over a true multistorey block development. One of its ideas is for some of the terrace blocks to be handed over from the city's housing department to a housing association. It is thought that that might restore a more personal apmosphere.

Councillor Allan Roberts, chairman of Manchester Housing Committee, said last night that he agreed with many of the report's findings on social difficulties but not with the recom-mendation that the deck access terraces should be demolished.
He said it was council policy to move families out of the terraces, which had turned out to be "planning and architectural errors", and to let the flats to single people or to groups of young people, such as students.

as students. By 1980 all families with young children would have been rehoused, he said. The terraces were also being improved by dividing the decks vertically to ensure privacy and security.

Inner City Crisis: Manchester's

Hulme (Hulme People's Rights
Centre, 40p).

Mr Callaghan calls for industry recruits

Correspondent
The Prime Minister yesterday
called on teachers to do all they
can to change the "perverted
and distorted view" that manufacturing occupations are less
"worthy" than professional
occupations such as those in
education, law, medicine or the End Farm, Alvechurch, Here-ford and Worcester, and Mr Terence Brunt, of Alvechurch

social services.

More of the country's best brains needed to apply them-selves to overcoming British industry's difficulties, Mr Callag-han told a National Union of Teachers careers convention in London. More able young people, both girls and boys, should be encouraged to try a

"We need fully to appreciate how much we depend on manufacturing and the conditions that industry needs for success. I cannot say too often that manufacturing is the major contributor to our national wealth, and that our hospitals, schools and social services depend on its success ", he said.

Mr Callaghan welcomed the

"good and promising initia-tives" that had been taken to help schools to introduce teaching about industry into the curriculum. But more needed to be done. We appealed to teachers and

schools to invite people from industry to give first-hand in-

Restrictions on inquiry, in 1973, concluded that only necessity could justify the scheme. His recommendation under attack By Judith Judd, of The Times Higher Education

Supplement Evidence that the Govern-ment is tightening procedures governing the appointment of foreign lecturers will be dis-cussed at a meeting of univer-sity vice-chancellors roday.

Cases have been reported to Cases have been reported to the Committee of Vice-chancel-hors and Principals of universi-ties that have appointed academics from abroad being asked whether a suitable British academic was available for the

Universities are also worried because some categories of visiting academics who did not previously require work permits now appear to do so.

The committee said There is concern that work permits

should be given or refused on academic not bureaucrazic grounds." The universities' main worry

is that distinguished academics may be prevented from coming may be prevented from coming to Britain. Dr Albert Sloman, Vice-chancellor of of Essex University, said any attempt to restrict entiry of foreign academics would damage the ethos of universities.

The Department of Employment said the number of work neurois for severance had been

permits for everyone had been reduced over the past two years because of unemployment, but it was not aware that foreign academics had been treated differently from anyone else.

need for children to acquire the basic skills of literacy and numeracy to prepare them for their working lives.

Those working in industry had made clear that what they valued above all else, except a positive attitude to work, was competence in communication.

"This is surely crucial to a
voung person's success in
almost any job."

Mr Callaghan also called for greater attention and priority to be given in schools to careers guidance and education, which, he said, should be given to children from the age of 13. Before subject choices that might effectively determine the pattern of young people's working tives were made pupils should have well informed advice and help in considering the implications.

important career options were often foreclosed. For that

He did not want it to be thought, however, that schools fulfilled their duty simply by providing a supply of competent workers. They must constitute the whole fashion.

Lord Gifford for the objectors, contended that the decision to build was outside the powers conferred by the Highways Acts. He complained of breaches of natural justice in the way the decision was a long to give first-hand information on firms and jobs; formation on firms and jobs; providing a supply of competent workers. They must constitute to develop the whole speak from experience both of the way the decision was a long to give first-hand intought, however, that schools formation on firms and jobs; providing a supply of competent workers. They must constitute to develop the whole speak from experience both of the providing a supply of competent workers. They must constitute to develop the whole speak from experience both of the providing a supply of competent workers. They must constitute to develop the whole speak from experience both of the providing a supply of competent workers. They must constitute to develop the whole speak from experience both of the providing a supply of competent workers. They must constitute to develop the whole speak from experience both of the providing a supply of competent workers. They must constitute to develop the whole speak from experience both of the providing a supply of competent workers. They must constitute to develop the whole speak from experience both of the providing a supply of competent workers.

Shetlanders arelikely to be asked their opinion about Shet-land's constitutional future in an early referendum, Mr Ernest Urquhart, Chief Executive of Shetland Islands Council said

"It might be necessary to have a second referendum after the Nevis Institute have completed its report on possible constitutional changes." The £40,000 report was commissioned recently, and it was booled that it would be available before any referndum, but the devolution group thinks government action in the Commons makes an early referendum desirable.

Eight MPs will visit the islands for talks and meetings next week. Mr Urquhart said:

"We are trying to get, as quickly and as comprehensively as possible, a clear view of what the people are thinking." the council's policy was to favour continued links with Westminster rather than with a Scottish assembly.

Once subjects were dropped reason, he went on, with another hint of the introduction of a "core" curriculum, "I should like to see as many as possible of the key subjects being taught up to the school-leaving age."

Shetland's views may be sought on devolution From Our Correspondent

Shetland Islands Council. said yesterday.

"The council's devolution group is likely to ask the council next Monday for a decision on the referendum", he said.

"If it goes ahead it will be a prekiminary vote to determine whether the people of Shetland support the council in its plan to consider the islands' future constitution.

It was stated previously that

Opinion poll restores Labour's confidence

By Our Political Correspondent

Mr Callaghan would not comment last night on the latest
Gallup Poll published in The

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Tolorgraph wo Daily Telegraph vesterday, which showed that Labour's electoral prospects have greatly improved in the past month. But there was no mistaking the per cent in July). optimism and reserved confidence among Labour MPs and the Prime Minister's closest colleagues.

main parties level in popular appoint party managers at esteem, each is supported by Central Office. esteem, each is supported by 45 per cent of those interviewed, compared with a Conservative lead of 4½ per cent
last mouth.

What impressed the Labour

The set great store by public
opinion polls, though he naturally prefers to see them going
in his favour. But Mr Ronald What impressed the Labour

camp most of all was the response to the question: "Who would make the better Prime Minister—Mr Callaghan, Mrs Thatcher or Mr Steel?" The cross-section of 1,011 electors divided as follows: Mr extremely encouraging." Callaghan, 46 per cent (com-

cent in September and 28 per cent in July); and Mr Steel, 10 per cent (compared with 10 per cent in September and 13

Since the poll was conducted after the Conservative Party conference, at which Mrs Thatcher gained publicity, the The poll showed the two fall in her rating must dis-

Mr Callaghan is known not Hayward, general secretary of the Labour Party, said: "This swing in the polls comes as no surprise to us. The news coming in from the constituencies through our regional offices is

One factor that the Conserva-

Healey had already promised tax concessions and a stimulus to the economy this autumn, which had a distinct influence on people's attitude to the Labour Government. There was much speculation

among MPs about the bearing the latest opinion poll will have on the Prime Minister's choice of a general election date. Many Labour MPs think that, after an early Budget containing more reliefs for the taxpayer. Labour would do best in May or June next year.

On the question relating to on the question retains to electoral support, Gallup found the percentage today, with the figures for September, August and July in parentheses was:

C. 45 (45), 48), 49); Lab, 45 (41, 37), 34); La (8), 9, 10); others, 2 (5, 5 6). The figures were arrived at after excluding the "don't knows" who compute the "don't knows" who rmounted to 81 per cent of the total interviewed.



WEST EUROPE

From William Chislett Madrid, Oct 27

The remarkable cooperation between the Spanish govern-ment and opposition parties was carried one stage farther today with the signing in the Cortes of a political part be-tween them. All the opposition parties signed except the neo-Francoist Popular Alliance of Senor Manuel Fraga.

Under the agreement the remaining repressive aspects of the Francoist laws will be removed and the police and the paramilitary Civil Guard forces will be reorganized.

Measures are included to Measures are included to control those newspapers and radio stations which belonged to the dismanded National Movement, the only legal political organization under Franco, as well as the state-run television, which will be presided over by a joint committee made up of the Government and opposition parties. The part opposition parties. The pact gives anyone arrested the right to have a lawyer from the moment of his detention and also lifts the ban on contra-

ception.

The police reform, as Senor Rodolfo Martin Villa, the Interior Minister, explained to civil governors at a special civil governors at a special meeting yesterday, amounts to more police protection for authorized demonstrations and basic political rights together with a greater crackdown on illegal activities such as picketing and groups which espouse violence such as the Basque separatist organization. ETA.

The Popular Alliance with 16 seats in the Congress, the lower house of the Cortes, did not sign the pact because it is against the police reforms. Senor Laureano López Rodó, one of the alliance's leaders, said that the restructuring of the police forces would mean "the dismentling of the means of security of the state" against subversion and terrorism. While the Popular Alliance has little weight in the Cortes it reflects to a great extent the conserva-

hierarchy.
The Popular Alliance is facing serious internal difficulties at the moment, brought to a head by Señor Manuel Fraga's cordial relations with Señor Santiago Carrillo, the Communist leader. Senor Fraga has agreed to present Senor Carrillo tonight at the exclusive XXI Club where the Communist leader will be speaking on Euro-

communism.

This will probably result in one of the alliance's main parties, the Spanish National Union, breaking away. In a statement today Senor José Maria Velo de Antelo, the union's vice-president, said:

"The presentation of Carrillo by the secretary-general of the Popular Alliance is the final straw which has broken the patience and overwhelmed with indignation many Spaniards." indignation many Spaniards."

Señor Fraga has recently shown himself anxious to improve on the Françoist image of the Popular Alliance and in being "centre right." His presentation of Senor Carrillo in the XXI Club is seen as an our small to attempt to gain a more democratic reputation. Many of the club's best known right-wing members have resigned over the speech by Senor Carrillo, in-cluding Senor Gonzalo Fernandez de la Mora, the leader of the Spanish National Union.

Baader-Meinhof funeral who claim the three terrorists after the rescue of the 86 air-were murdered. a clandestine rades in Mogadishu. Provisional Last weekend a clandestine Forty people were detained

Mourners clash with police after

Rhine-Westphalia region urged on investigations by the Baden-listeners to destroy police stations, banks and two halls. It said Herr Hanns-Martin Schiever, the industrialist would not be the last person the news agency, DPA, said to the murdered to the state of the news agency, DPA, said to the murdered to the murder to the murdered to the murder to the murder to the murder to the murdered to th radio station in the North in Stuttgart tonight after the funeral of the three Baaderpolice started checking the At the funeral today a small group of people wrapped in black cloth carried placards were scuffles and attempts to throw bricks at the police.

reading "Gudrun Andreas, Jan
—torsured and murdered in
Stammheim" and "Solidarity
with the guerrilla fighters". The three were buried to-The three were busied in gether in a common grave in Dornhalden cemetery. Herr Manired Rommel, the chief burgomaster of Stuttgart, rejected protests from the population and promised that the grave would not be allowed to become a place of pilgrimage.

west cermany space the Andreas Baader, aged 34, his been many demonstrations and girl friend Gudrum Ensilin, 37, with the attacks on West German property abroad by extreme leftists Stammheim jail a few hours released.

reports on the post morten and

suicide.

The day before his death, the news agency, DPA, said to-day, Beader criticized the brutality of the terrorists who kidnapped Herr Schleyer and hijacked the airliner.

Quoting reliable sources, the agency said that in a conversation with a government official Baader promised that he and 10 other terrorists whose release was being demanded, would not commit further. release was being demanded, would not commit further crimes once free. Instead they would try to exert a moderating incluence on the new generation of terrorists of whose brutality towards unin-volved persons they dis-approved.

DPA said the official was left with the impression that Beader was fully counting on being

M Marchais loses his attempt to end slur

From Ian Murray
Paris, Oct 27

M Georges Marchais, the
French Communist leader, has
failed in his attempt to cleat
his name in court of the slur o
having worked voluntarily fo.
Nazi Germany during the war.
After a long legal battle
dating back to the publicatios
in two right-wing newspapers is in two right-wing newspapers in 1973 of documents purporting to prove his collaboration, I Marchais was told today that it law there was no case agains

the publishers.

A court ruled that although there had been alterations madto the photocopies of the doct ments, they did not alter the rruth of the documents. "I substance". The publishers, I Auguste Lecoeur of La Natio. Socialiste and M. Jean Boizen of Minute, were acquitted o using forged administrative

using forged administrative documents.

By finding a nice legal point the court failed to rule of whether M Marchais really has gone to work in German voluntarily or whether he was forced to do so. He had wep as he told the court at a earlier hearing of how he wen to Germany, but he did no deny that this happened before a law was passed making it a offence to refuse to go.

He said that on the mornin of December 12, 1942, he an 30 other workers at an aext nautics factory in Bièvres wer rounded up and told that their company had designated their to work in Germany. He sai they were warned that if the

to work in Germany. He sai they were warned that if the refused to go their familia would be imprisoned.

At the earlier hearing I Marchais: said: "Before the justice of my country, solemnly swear that I never went voluntarily to work Germany. I was a deported. The publication is a shameful defination and a politically more mation and a politically most tention had been he said use the publication to dismit Communist Party and h

as its secretary.
Today's judicial ruling in a way resolves the basic issue. Marchais admits he went work in Germany believe it law was passed making in compulsory on detailed. He right-wing accusers will co time to claim that he did voluntarily. His supporters we continue in deny it as reh mently as he does times pointing to the fact that escaped from Germany aft five months and went in hiding in France.

Mr Jenkins calls for EEC monetary union

From Penricia Clough Bonn, Oct 27

Meinhof terrorists who com-mitted suicide in jail last week-

identizies of more than 500 people who had attended. A passing car was damaged, there

Some 300 participants formed

as they repeatedly came up against fresh identity checks.

Finally a hard core of about 100 clashed with the police as they marched towards a depart-

ment store and police station in the city centre. Two police-

It was the first violence in

West Germany since the suicides, although there have

been many demonstrations and estracks on West German pro-

men were slightly injured.

Trouble broke out when the

It would be more realistic, Mr Jenkins maintained, to see monetary union "as part of the process of recovering the substance of sovereign power", whereas "at present we tend to cling to its shadow over, monetary disunity in Europe was one of "the major system as in the functioning of our small to medium-sized

It was also wrong, Mr Jenkins said to exaggerate the degree of centralization necessarily involved in monetary union. He suggested that the Community's model should be a highly decentralized type of

Continued from page I monetary union in which the less susceptible to their individual views than is the Community."

monetary union in which the public procurement of goods and services is primarily in national, regional or other hands." The "public finance function

of such a community would be stripped down to a few high-powered types of financial transfer, fulfilling specific tasks munity concern, and assuring the flow of resources necessary to sustain monetary union' Mr Jenkins said. The similarity of existing

national expenditures on such items as social and welfare services meant that there was "no need to contemplate develop-ing Community expenditure of a traditional federal scale", Mr Jenkins maintained. The eventual arrangement would be

sive break with the present chronic inflamonary disorder '. . Different floating exchange rates caused violent and sud-den inflationary impulses", often just at the time when employers, trade unious and governments might be trying to hold together a courageous and delicate stabilization pro-

græmme. balanc Instead, Mr Jeokins asked rions." member-governments to con-

unlikely to correspond to any sider a different prosperisting federal of conference where a European monera projectypes.

Putting the economic case for currency, and pursued a det monerary union, Mr Jenkins maned and relatively independent of the price move starting with the adoption ment? and could "help establity tary expansion consistent with the present monerary stability in part of price and achieve a decirity break with the present monerary stability.

monetary stability.

By creating a major n
international currency back by the economic spread a strength of the community which could serve as "a joi and alternative pillar of t world monetary system" alor side the dollar, the EEC wou be "relieved of many short-r balance of payments preoccu Leading article, page

Time and the telephone upset digestions on both sides of the Channel

According to the sun, Paris is 10 minutes behind London. This was pointed out by British delegates at a two-day cross-channel seminar organized here jointly by the British Chamber of Commerce in France and the Chambre de Commerce Francaise de Grande-Bremagne, which ends tomorrow. The discussion had turned to

the problems businessmen had to face because the time dif-ference between the two countries, thanks to switching back and forth to summer time on different dates, changed no less than four times in a year.

Mr David Royce, from the Department of Trade and Industry, one of those rare Englishmen who check French in a lishmen who speak French in a understand, explained that a line through an operator things were impossible. There synchronize watches to GMT it was hollow laughter when they was impossible to do the same thing with sundials it thing with sundials. If we "muck about with time", he said, the Scottish road gritter would have to get up in winter before the roads had begun to thaw. And as for the cows, there was no way of explaining to a cow's udder that the time had

changed. The seminar chairman. former French transport minister, M Pierre Billecoque, one of those rare Frenchmen who speak so well that the English do not laugh at him, read out last month's statement from the European Commission saying that everyone was agreed that they were prepared to change back and forth to summer time on the same date year—April 1 and er 14—"provided the October United Kingdom will accept

It was not really quite like that, said Mr Royce. Certainly

and the Austrians did it; and everybody knew they could not

be relied on.

The time difference between the two countries was cited by Mr E. A. G. Balfour, President of the British Chamber in France, as a root cause of misunderstanding and possibly indigestion. He said that many times he had been summoned away from his canteen meal to answer a phone call with a mouthful of choucroute.

M Billecoque was ciently impressed with the urgency of the problem to promise to take the matter up at a higher level. Telephone calls between the

two countries were also criticized. Any difficulties were, most British delegates agreed, inherent in the French system. Dialled calls were not so bad. accepted standard for delay before an operator picked up a call was 10 seconds. And there were other delays.
Why, one Prenchman asked,

did his company have to wait 10 months to get a telephone line installed in France, when it could get one in 15 days in England. The French tele-phones spokesman had been delayed and was not there to answer the criticisms. The French postal service spokesman, M Le Saux, was not delayed and be claimed

that most of the mail between the two countries was there on time. His opposite number in the British Post Office, Mr C. Briscoe, agreed with him. The trouble was that they had to rely on all the intermediaries customs men. Mr Balfour was less con-

vinced. Mail was certainly not the British Government was deliverd the next day, he said, required to have such a change and he found many supporters debated in Parliament. But the with horror stories of up to 10 French had no legislation to days wait for a simple letter. do it, the Danish warred to It was not like that 25 years know what the Germans were ago, Mr Ballour said, said M going to do and the Italians would only do it if the Swiss that upp, too.

Danish majority emerges in favour of EEC From Our Correspondent

Copenhagen, Oct 27
An opinion poll published in
Denmark today showed a
majority in favour of Danish majority in favour of Danish membership of the EEC

The Observa Poll, published in Jyllands-Poster, said that 52 per cent of those asked were in favour of the EEC and 48 per cent against. The majority was particularly marked among men aged over 50 and women over 30.

The poll predicted a turn-out of about 70 per cent in next year's election to the European

year's election to the European Parliament. Of those supporting the EEC 85 per cent said that they would vote in the election. For the opponents the figure was 58 per cent.

Four security men die Herten West Germany, Oct 7.—Four security men died and two others were reported missing while trying to save a miner after a fire broke out today in a Ruhr mine.—Agence France-Presse.

Grace period for Britain to pass law on lorry drivers From Michael Hornsby faced the choice of changi

Brussels, Oct 27

EEC transport ministers decided in Luxembourg today to introduce new regulations governing the working conditions of lorry and bus drivers from January 1, 1978. At the same time, they agreed to allow both Britain and Ireland a grace period of three years during which to bring existing national rules into line by stages.

sible by the lifting of French objections to the granting of this exemption to the British and the Irish. The French had ing these two countries' transitional period of Community membership, which expires at the end of this year.

The outcome of code.

The agreement was made pos-

Without the agreement both graphs in the cabs of new light Britain and Ireland could have ries.

Musée de Cluny, including some

furniture, sculpture and art objects which had originally been at Ecouen. This collection had to be withdrawn and

put in store because there was

no room to exhibit it at Cluny

Its most precious item is the 230ft long Tapestry of David

woven in Brussels in the six-

national regulations immitately or being taken to t European Court of Justice the new year.
One of the main effects

the new rules wil I be to lir ro eight the maximum numb of hours which lorry and b drivers may drive each di This compares with a limit 10 hours in Britain. There b been strong trade union resi ance to any reduction. The new regulations also pr

vide for longer rest periods addition, the existing requiaddition, the existing requirement that all heavy lorries much carry a second driver journeys of more than 2 miles would be abolished and a second driver and a second driver in the second driver and a second driver a secon

membership, which expires at the end of this year.

The outcome of today's meeting was hailed as a "triumph" by Mr William Rodgers, with the European Comission

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A Sau Diego, Sea

France gets a Renaissance museum Renaissance collection of the richly ornamented and scu

after the war.

From Our Own Correspondent Paris, Oct 27 France can boast at last a

museum of the Renaissance which does justice to the wealth and variety of its national collections. It was inaugurated today by President Giscard d'Estaing in the Chateau d'Ecouen, 15 miles north of Paris.

The chateau, a magnificent edifice in the Italian renaissance style, was built between 1538 and 1550 by the Constable, the Duc de Montmorency, one of the leading personalities of the time, a patron of the arts

and a prolific collector.

Ecouen, which was ransacked during the French Revolution, the first floor began five years the Fontainbleau school of the state apartments on the work of Italian prists the Fontainbleau school of the state apartments on the world, the state apartment of the world apartments on the world apartment of the worl military hospital, became by decision of Napoleon in 1806 a school for the daughters of members of the Legion of Honour killed in battle. He decided it was the most

teenth century, relating the loves of David and Bathsheba. Only at Ecouen was there sufficient wall space to display it. As the chateau had become too large for the school's pur-

ago.

Ecouen is a vast building The formel seventeen century surrounded by decorative century gardens are be thank some mosts on a spur dominating the gradually replanted, and to join let's wh

tured The first phase of the restoration includes almost the whole of the first floor, w
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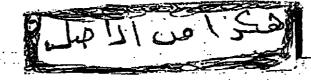
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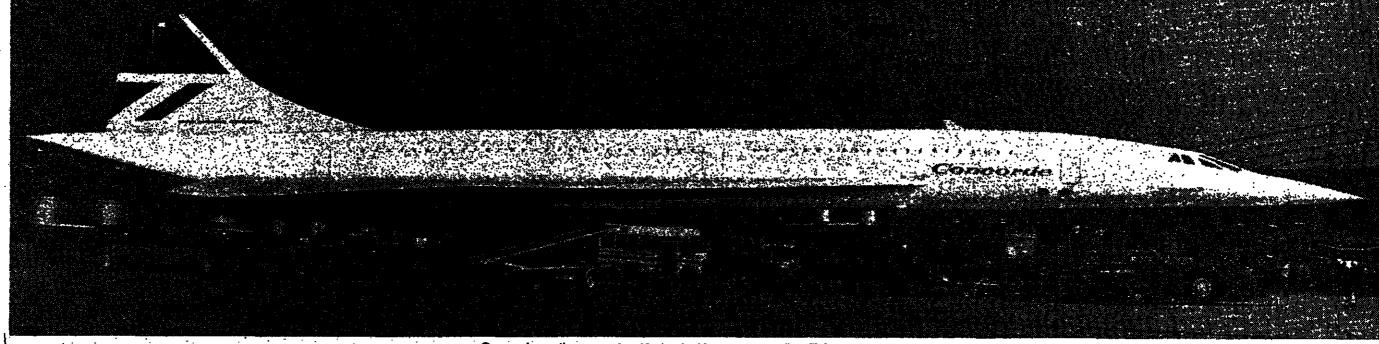
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Concorde on the ground at Kennedy Airport after its first flight to New York

The Houston connection is fastest

DIRECT services are operated by British Airways to seven cities in the United States apart from New York and Washington - and there are also special connections available with US domestic airlines to speed passengers to other centres.

The seven cities are Anchorage, Boston, Chicago, Detroit. Los Angeles, Miami and Philadelphia. In addition, the airline has services to New York from Manchester and Glas-

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Houston is one of the important offline points to which British Airways can speed business travellers, through their arrangements with US airlines.

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CONCORDE is continuing to change the world of air travel.

Now British Airways is launching new supersonic services to New York and Singapore to join those aiready operating to Washington and Bahrain.

Concorde will start flying to New York on November 22.

The supersonic airliners, which fly at speeds of up to 1,350 miles an hour, will take only three and a half hours from take-off to landing to cross the Atlantic. This is about half the time taken by subsonic jets.

New York

Initially, there will be two

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between London and New York, but frequency will be increased to four a week in December and six a week in February,

In local timings, Concorde will arrive in New York earher than it leaves London. The aircraft will leave on Tuesdays and Sundays at 1115 and arrive at Kennedy

Amport at 1000. Return flights from New York on Wednesdays and Mondays will leave at 1215,

arriving at Heathrow at 2100. By December, the New York service will have been stepped up with departures on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Sundays, return-

nesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays and Mondays.

British Airways' Concordes to Washington will operate daily until November 21, and then on five days a week - Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays - at 1300, arriving at 1210.

They return on Sundays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays, leaving Washington at 1230 and arriving at Heathrow at 2140.

Singapore

The service to Singapore will begin in December and will be operated in conjunction with Singapore Air-

started in January last year. It will reduce the time bet-

ween London and Singapore by five hours and 20 minutes. scheduled to fly between the two cities in nine hours and 30

minutes. To Singapore, the joint British Airways/Singapore week, on Sundays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 1300, arriving at Singapore at 0600

the next day. The return flights from Singapore will be on Mondays, Thursdays and Saturdays leaving at 1130 and

arriving in London at 1315. These Concorde journeys will be completed in nine

lines as an extension of the hours, 15 minutes, slicing six Bahrain service which was hours and 10 minutes off the hours and 25 minutes.

Arrival times of the Concorde flights will make it With only one stop at easier for business travellers Bahrain, Concorde is to obtain same-day connections to many other destinations in the Far East.

By using Concorde, there could be a saving of seven hours 45 minutes to Jakarta. Airlines services will leave six hours 15 minutes to Man-London three times each ila and five hours 20 minutes to Kuala Lumpur.

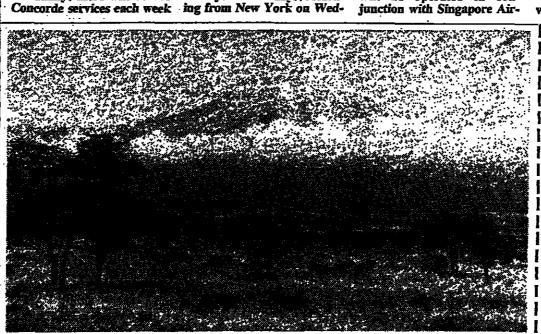
> Passengers will gain all the other advantages of travelling Concorde - including special check-in and lounge facilities at Heathrow, and a more comfortable flight, due to the almost complete lack of turbulence at 60,000 feet, Concorde's normal cruising height.

over the Pole

WIDE-BODIED British Airways Boeing 747 jumbo jets will fly over the North Pole to Japan from London three times each week this winter.

The services leave London airport at 1255 on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays and, after only one stop at Anchorage, Alaska, touch down at Tokyo at 1500 the following afternoon local time.

On Tuesdays and Saturdays. faster 707 aircraft leave Heath-row for Japan at 1035. After calling at Moscow, they arrive at Tokyo at 0955.



Fly to the beauty of Kilimanjaro

THE first flights from Europe into Kilimanjaro are to be inaugurated by British Airways from November 5.

At the same time, the airline will step up its existing services to other East African

will be operated once each week by a VC10 airliner. The airport, in the north

east of Tanzania, serves an

Serengeti, the Lake Manyara and the Tarangire national destinations. parks and the Ngorongoro The Kilimanjaro service Crater.

Connecting services are operated from Kilimanjaro by Air Tanzania to Mwanza. on the shores of Lake Vicarea famous for its wealth of toria, and to Ganga, on the

make an excellent jumping-

off place for unusual holi-

In the area are the

wildlife and scenery and will Indian Ocean coast. British Airways' services from London to Dar es Salaam are being increased from two to three each week and to Khartoum from four to

five each week. One of the Khartoum services ~ on Saturday - continues on to Addis Ababa. VC10s and Boeing 707s are

used on these routes. There is also a daily 747 service to Nairobi.

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WHY NOT CUT THIS OUT AND KEEP IT?



Mr Fahmi says peace conditional on Israeli withdrawal and establishment of Palestinian state

conclusion of a peace treaty with Israel was conditional upon total withdrawal from occupied Arab lands and the establishment of a Palestinian

Should Israel prove improvsiference, Mr Falimi said, "we will waik out and go to the Nations or to our usurned by force."

The Foreign Minister was addressing a joint meeting of the foreign affairs committees of the Egyptian and Sudanese

kind, on Monday to produce

Ending the state of war (with Israel) and concluctuing Liberation Organization

Cairo, Oct 27.—Mr Ismaila peace treaty is tied to total. The Arabs agreed to the Fahmi, the Egyptian Foreign withdrawal, and an honourable unified delegation idea, he Minister, said today that the settlement of the Palestinian said, but we officially notiquestion, which includes the right to set up an independent de'egation is formed, we alone state", Mr Fainni said. will choose the Palestinian

He called the American representatives".—UPI Soviet communique published Dumascush Syria has called on on October 1, an official the Arabs to prepare for milion October 1, an "official the Arabs to prepare for mili-amendment" of the Security tary confrontation with Israel gent at the Geneva peace con- Council's resolution 242, which as the commander of the Egypserves as the basis for the tian air force arrived here in Geneva talka.

forces in order to Foliation question as a "Spria is now taking the by force what was reingue, non-producted, problem, line of direct military confronbut this had been superseded the first time. Mr Fahmi spid. He case said that the recent The two parliaments began a American-Israeli ining session, the first of its paper, dealing with procedure at the Geneva tilks, called for the senting up of a unified

Arab delegation, but omitted reference to the Palestine

fied (America) that when the will choose the Palestinian representatives ".-- UPI

an apparent effort to coordi-The resolution dismissed the nate Arab air defence strategy.

ration with the Zionist occuby the communique, which pier", according to a commen-act newledged the "legistrate tary today in Al Boath, official rights" of the Palescinians for organ of the ruling Baath

> e recent The paper also attacked working American Middle East policy procedure as "full of dangers" and said that if the United States was interested in peace in the region it should stop supplying Israel with arms and economic



The Prince of Wales in Beverley Hills with Cary Grant (right), Sophia Loren, Farrah Fawcett-Majors and her husband

Hollywood farewell to the Prince

Los Angeles, Oc 27.-The Prince of Wales was guest of honour last night at a charity dinner attended by about 800 people, including many Hollywood celebrities. Cary Grant, who was born in

England, served as dinner chair-man and recalled that he per-formed the same function 11

was initially was instructed by the Prince Charles drove up to the Beverly Hilton Hotel be passed half a dozen pickers protesting against English actions in Northern Ireland, but there is the evening was all otherwise the evening was all

laughter and music.

Entertainment at the dinner was provided by Bob Newhart, the comedian, and Dean Martin, who sang a few songs and told a few slightly risque jokes, which the Prince seemed to

enjoy.

During the evening the Prince was "roasted" by Martin—2

years ago when the Duke of friendly American custom of in-Edinburgh was honoured at a sulfing a person as a sign of favour.

favour.

"Who are we roasting tonight?" Martin said as he
appeared on stage at the dinner.
When a trumpet player in the
orchestra tried to whisper the
name of the main guest, Martin
said loudly into the microphone: "Charley who?"

He told the crowd, which had
paid \$125 (about £73 each to
help the show business charity,
Variety Clubs International:
"I would like to be a prince
and meet a princes for one
day, so I could take her out
for one evening and at the end

of the evening, I would say to her, 'Your palace or mine?' Among the celebrities at the dinner were Sophia Loren, Charlton Heston, Angie Dickenson, Merle Oberon, Loretta Young, Gregory Peck, Sidney Portier, Telly Savalas, Rod Steiger, James Stewart and Steiger, James Stewar Farrah Fawcett-Majors.

The Prince, who is ending a 12-day visit to the United States, said: "I have had a

marvellous visit . . . but it's been extraordinarily hectic. I hope I can come back again and make a sporting tour."— UPI and Reuter.

Government to recommend to the inter-party commission which investigates electoral complaints, to put an end to their ordeal. "We want to pre-serve our mental health in order to exercise with equani-

mity our voting rights on elec-tion day," they stated.

The electoral pollution of a Achens is ast only acoustic."

Walls are covered with posters showing the favourite photo-graphs of party candidates, while the pavements are lit-tered with multicoloured leaflets bearing party slogans. Up above, the unsightly bars walls of building sites display eigantic party propaganda hoardings with the names of hopeful candidates suspended above the streets on streatners. All this is part of the traditional electoral atmosphere

More Jewish settlers for West Bank

Tel Aviv. Oct 27.-Israel will Prime Minister in September. establish two new settlements in army camps in the occupied West Bank next week, military sources said today. They added that despite objections from abroad, the Government intended to have a total of six new settlements set up by the end of

According to the sources, the settlements to go up at Givon and Nebi Sahel next week will be civilian in nature despite their military surroundings. Together with Kadum. Sanur and a fifth settlement at the Shomron army base, the settlements of the Gush Emunion movement were part of a deal reached with Mr Begin, the

Gush leaders wanted to start 12 new sites despite lack of existing army bases instead.

Although he and Mr Dayan.

Although he and Mr Dayan.

the Foreign Minister, have
spoken against return of the
West Bank to Arab control, they
have said all occupied territory
will be up for discussion at a

tool tim Canada snared the
tonic fine strate that the
establishment of new settlements was illegal and an
obstacle to peace.

Mr Jamieson said he was
optimistic about the chances of will be up for discussion at a reconvened session of the Geneva talks.

The sixth settlement at Beit Horon is still in the planning stages. Israeli officials say there are approximately 6,000 Jewish settlers on the West Bank, as compared to more than a million

today with Mr Donald Jamieson, the Canadian Minister for Ex government approval, But Mr ternal Affairs. He said after-Begin persuaded them to go to existing army bases instead. told him Canada shared the

reconvening the Geneva peace talks, "Mr Dayan made it vers clear to me there is a good deal of flexibility in the approach Israel is prepared to take", he said. "Clearly, there are most important considerations Israel cannot move on, and these are understandable."—UPI.

Successful test of Soviet 'killer' satellite claimed

27.—The the killer satellite yesterday, apparently "Presumably, a successful in-amother tercept occurred" the Penta-Soviet Union has apparently succeeded in testing another satellite which would he used to destroy enemy spy otellites, the Defence Depart-

ment said here today.
The United States does not have killer satellites, but the year after a five-year pause, Air Force awarded a Texan the Pentagon said. Moscow firm a contract last month to design one. The Russian killer satellites operate by getting close enough to a spy satellite to blast it out of space with high explosives.

The Pentagon said the Soviet Union launched a target satellite last Friday, followed by

It was the seventh test-and tors orders to rest. Egyptian third successful one—since the Russians resumed experiments with killer satellites early last

the Pentagon said. Moscow Belgrade next Monday, as part halted killer satellite tests in of a tour of Romania, Yugo-1971, apparently to encourage slavia, Iran and Saudi Arabia another member of the Italian progress in nuclear arms beginning on Saturday.

Tito, who is 85, was ordered by doctors to rest for 20 days The United States developed an anti-satellite system in the by doctors to rest for 20 days 1960s, but dismantled it because it was not very effective, officials said.—Reuter.

WPI.

President Tito 'under doctor's

today.

Mr Sadat was due to visit

World Bridge body critical | Pakistan regime maintains of Italian federation

From a Bridge Correspondent Manila, Oct 27

Proceedings in the final round of the Bermuda Bowl world bridge championship were nearly overshadowed to-day by news of an action taken by the World Bridge Federa-tion against the Italian Bridge Federation.

In April of last year the Italian bridge player, Leandro Burgay, released the rape of an alleged telephone conversation between himself and Benito Ekunchi, a former member of the Italian world championship team in which Signor Bianchi incriminated himself and

The matter was considered by the executive of the World Bridge Federation in Monte Carlo on May 1 last year. According to an excerpt its minutes, Professor

Firpo, the president of the Italian Bridge Federation. undertook "to continue ener-getically the inquiry into the Burgay-Bianchi affair and to report in detail its findings and decisions together with full documentation including a cer-rified copy of the rape to the World Bridge Federation

The executive of the World Bridge Federation decided that the reports of the investigation by the Italians submitted to itwere inadequate to form a basis for a reasonable conclusion whether the Italian federa-tion had fulfilled its obligations in acting upon the truth or falsity of alleged impro-prieties which may affect WBF events. By staying the suspen-sion of the IBF until March 15, 1978, the WBF has given the Italian body the opportunity to take further steps to change its day. disciplinary procedures.

ban on political action statement today, the Military From Our Correspondent

İslamabad, Oct 27 Contrary to expectations in political circles here, the mar-

It was officially stated here today that the Military Council, the supreme authority in the country, has decided not to relax restrictions on political activities for the present. The main political leaders had expected the regime to allow some activity starting in November to enable political parties to hold meetings, elections and enrolment drives.

Both the former ruling People's Party and its opponents were preparing to mobilize public opinion for their respecrive parties from next Tues-

Council took a serious view of "rumour mongering" aimed at political circles here, the mar-tial law Government has despondency. Some press decided to keep the lid tightly on all political activity in Paki-stan. ering of retirement age for Government servants. The council announced that

circulation of rumours by any means would be punished. Hope for a relaxation of curbs on political activity was expressed by leaders of the Pakistan National Alliance after their meeting with General Zia, the Chief Marcal Law Administrator, on October 13. But the marrial law regime is understood to have decided that, in view of its indefinite postponement of the October 18 general elections, there was no need for revived political

Parties call off war of loudspeakers in Athens From Our Own Correspondent

Athens, Oct 27

The war of the loudspeakers in Athens is off. Mr Karamanlis, the Prime Minister, interrened to end this offensive by-product of electoral campaigning Greek

The Prime Minister ordered his New Democracy party and its Athens candidates to switch off all the loudspeakers spewing our decibels of pop music and party slogans outside their campaign headquarters. The other parties have followed the good example.

For more than a week the centre of Athens became an acoustic inferno. The customary noise of street traffic and pneumatic drills was reduced to a background purr.

Popular songs, mainly by Mikis Theodorakis, the Communist composer, were belted out by loudspeakers outside the campaign centres of all parties -except those of the Moscoworiented Communist Party of Greece, which regards him as a renegade.

The music alternated with abrasive party anthems and dynamic political slogans designed to lura new voters to

campaign headquarters.

Near Omonia Square, the business heart of Athens, hundreds of rival election centres have mushroomed. Naturally their loudspeakers were turned propaganda of their rivals: Forty-one shopkeepers in that

district sent a petition to the Government, urging prompt action. The simultaneous transmission of pop music by over 50 loudspeakers at full volume has made martyrs of us. We can no longer stand it," the perition said.
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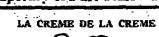
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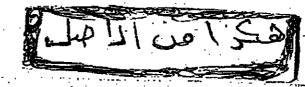
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in Antique EEC asks Pretoria to rescind latest restrictions on blacks

From Nicholas Ashford

Johannesburg, Oct 27. The nine members of the European Economic Community have called upon the South Airican Government to cancel last week's bannings and deten-tions of black leaders and organizations and instead to begin consultation with the country's black leaders.

The appeal was made in a Note presented to Mr R. F. Botha, the Foreign Minister, by Mr. A. Domus, the Belgian Ambassador, who is the senior EEC envoy in South Africa, Mr Domus left for Brussels today to convey Mr Botha's response to the president of the EEC's Council of Ministers.

Although the text of the Note has not been released it is understood to express the Nine's disappointment and astonishment at last week's bannings of 18 organizations, closure of three newspapers and detention of scores of Black Consciousness leaders. It expressed strong concern for the direction that events have taken and emphaevents the need for a peaceful evolution towards the granting of full rights to all of South Africa's inhabitants.

The Note said that it was not the intention of the Nine o meddle in South Africa's nternal affairs. However, Mr dothe's reply is believed to con-ain a virtual "manifesto" on outh Africa's arritude to forgign pressure.

The EEC's move is a further ndication of the strong reacion which last week's events lave provoked in Western upitals. Three countries—the inited States, West Germany nd The Netherlands—have withdrawn their ambassadors or consultations and South ifrica was today bracing itself or an announcement by Presient Carter of a change in imerican policy.

In an attempt to fill the gap Botswana.—Reuter.

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Dacca, Oct 27.—The Baugla-Government has appointed o judges to investigate the ortive October 2 coup against

neral Ziaur Rahman's mili-

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1 Chodbhury and Mr Justice
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the north, two days earlier.
The attempted coup took
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Eleven Air Force officers and

liner at Dacca airport.

m Our Correspondent igkok, Oct 27

Lao Su, a Chinese That ged to be one of the biggest g dealers in Asia, has sped from the detention

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left by The World newspaper, which was banned last week, its publisher, the Argus company, today announced its intention to expand its weekly newspaper The Post to meet the needs of black readers. Mr Percy Coboza, editor of The World, was detained shortly after the paper was closed.

At present The Post circulates mainly among Coloured and Asian readers in Natal. However it is planned to print it on The World presses in Johannesburg, initially two or three times a week and possibly on a daily basis later. Most of The World staff will be given jobs on the expanded

At a brief hearing before the chief magistrate in Pretoria today it was formally decided an inquest into the death of Mr Steve Biko, the Black Consciousness leader, should begin an November 14. took place a day pated. The marter is now sub

Meanwhile in Bloemfontein Meanwhile in Bloemfontein the case as inst Mrs Winnie Mandela, wife of the imprisoned black nationalist leader Mr Nelson Mandela, was adjourned until next January 17. Mrs Mandela is charged with breaking a benning order restricting her to the town of

Youths arrested: Police arrested 14 African youths after they set fire to a school building and stoned bessing cars in a black township near Bloomfontein. The youths were calling for an end to the Bantu education system. Earlier five black youths were arrested of Care youths were arrested at Garan-kua, near Pretoria.—UPI. Soldiers jailed: Four white South African soldiers were

Jailed for 20 months today after a court martial at Pontdrift, on the Botswana-Transvaal border, found them guilty of raping a pregnent African woman in

Today's flight will circum-

From San Francisco the 747 will fly non-stop to London, a distance of 6.358 miles crossing

From London it will fly non-

From there is will embark on the longest leg, crossing the South Pole to Auckland with-

out stopping, a distance of 7,523 miles. And from Auckland it will fly direct to San F: ancisco, 6.608 miles.

Francisco, 6.608 miles.
Seats on the flight were sold out several weeks ago, and there is a long waiting list.
Fifteen senior pilots and flight engineers will take turns on the flight deck, led by Mr. V. her Mullikin, vice-president

and chief pilot of Pan Am.

Another famine

Sahel countries

Niamey, Niger, Oct 27.—Mini-sters from eight of Africa's Sahel zone countries today launched an urgent appeal to

the world community for 500,000 tonnes of cereals to ward off a new threat of

They said the four Sahel countries bordering the Atlan-tic—Senegal, Cape Verde, the Gambia and Mauritania—would need 50,000 tonnes of cereals

by January and a total of 500,000 tonnes before the next

of the alleged leading traf-fickers, Mr Lao Fan, in Bang-kok in August. The day before last week's coup, when Thai-land's military leaders dis-

land's military leaders dis-missed the civilian Government

and assumed power, the police and the Interior Ministry recommended to Mr Tanin, the Prime Minister, that both men be executed under article 21 of the Constitution.

Tanin was reported to have decided on their execution but

Wednesday next, a decision by the military junta on their fate

feared by

rainfall is due.

Army personnel were killed the fighting, it was officially sounced. The Government set military tribunals, and has far executed 37 Army and Force men for their part the unsuccessful coup.

A situation as bad as the worst years of the last drought, which occurred between 1968 and 1974, could be expected for the rest of this year all along the Sahel coast, the Ministers said.—Agence France-Presse.

Alleged drug dealer flees

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Unloved by the world, Transkei marks a first year of mixed achievement

Apartheid's first child slow to come of age

Johannesburg, Oct. 27

Unwanted and unloved by the world at large, Transkei had its first anniversary this week. It was an event that went largely unnoticed by the outside world, even by South Africa, which is the only friend of the Xhosa-speaking "homeland" that was hived off from the white republic a year ago as the first step in the Pretoria Government's policy of separate development.

The hopes of Chief Kaizer Matanzima, Transkel's Prime Minister, that his fledgling state would gain international recognition once it had shown itself truly independent have not been fulfilled. Only Trans-kei's postage stamps have athlered recognition from the international philatelic com-

Chief Matanzima may well feel augry and perplexed at

the world's refusal to accept his nation's independent status. its performance during its first year has not been at all bad,

The economy has arown, although it remains heavily dependent on direct ald from South Africa and the money sent by Transkeians working there. Since April last year, 15 new industries worth more than £10m have been set up. Umtata, the capital, has taken on the appearance of a boom town dominated by a large new administration block and other

new buildings. Politically, Transkei given the appearance of sub-lity. However, this has con-been achieved by the silver of the troy opposition Demo-tratic Party.

At a social level, many of

the formal racial barriers have been removed and much of the original South African racial legislation repealed. Chief Matanzima has con-

racial society. But one hospital be the champion of the black and two schools remain exclu-man in southern Africa. sively white-a fact resented

by many blacks. None of this, however, has national opinion. Despite criti-cism of South Africa's racial policies by Chief Matanzima and other leaders, Translei remains in the world's eye as aparcheid's first child, and world opinion has hardened against apartheid and its Ban-tustan offspring during the 12 mouths since Transkei's inde-

Chief Matanzima has not many of his actions during the post year. He has post year. He has, for example, replaced South Africa's notorious security laws with ones that are even

pencience.

Chief

gratulated Transkei's whites on ness movement in Transkei has their quick adaptation to a non- also undermined his claim to

Chief Matenzima's Government from gaining foreign recogni tion was its acceptance of the Status of Transkei Act and its subsequent endorsement of the Republic of Trauskei Act.

But the action that more than any other has prevented

The Acts in effect took away South African citizenship from those of black Transkei descent

given the same status as any other foreigners there. But this

has not been the case. Chief Marauzima has said that his nation was prepared to wait years if necessary before achieving United Nations recognition. All the signs are Matanzima's hostility that he is going to have to wait

on new Salt agreement

From Our Own Correspondent Washington, Oct 27 President Carter said today there was a "fairly good pro-spect" of reaching an outline limitations with the Soviet Union within the next few weeks.

ments to date about recent proliving in South Africa.
The Transkei Government has argued that its citizens livgress in the so-called Salt talks, he told a press conference here that there was now general agreement between his Admini-stration and Moscow that the ing in South Africa would be

existing ceiking on strategic arms deployment should be lower than those agreed at Vladivostok. Both sides were also close to agreement the number of land-based multiple

missiles (MIRVS) that would be permitted under a new Salt pact, he said.

In his most revealing com-

After " a demonstration of real progress" within a few weeks, details of a new agreement would take longer to work out, he predicted. A new Salt agreement be tween the two superpowers should have been reached by the beginning of this month

Washington

optimistic

when earlier arrangments ex-pired. But, when it proved im-possible to meet this deadline, the Americans and the Russians agreed informally to respect the existing status quo . Negotiations between the two sides are continuing in Geneva with renewed enthusiasm after two meetings here between Mr Carter and Mr Andri Committee States

In brief British soldiers held in Cyprus

Nicosia, Oct 27.—Ten British soldiers were held for six hours last night by the Turkish mili-rary authorities after straying into Turkish-controlled waters

in two motor boats. The soldiers, all members of the Scors Guards, were being questioned today by British military police about the in-

M Barre in Hungary

Budapest, Oct 27.-M Barre the French Prime Minister, arrived here today on a threeday visit to Hungary aimed at improving trade between the two countries.

Police protest

Hongkong, Oct 27.—More than 4,000 policemen met tonight in protest against what they called persecution by the Hongkong Commission Against Corruption. Several police officers under investigation addressed the meeting.

Jakarta round-up

Jakarta, Oct Indonesian arme dforces have smashed an attempt by the ranned Indonesian Communis Party to stage a comeback, an More than 200 party members have been arrested this year.

Czech-Vatican dialogue Prague, Oct 27.-Negotiations have resumed discreetly here between the Holy See and the Czechoslovak Government on grater freedom for the Roman Carholic church in Czechoslo-vakia, diplomatic sources said.

Mr Fraser gives reasons for his election day choice

Melbourne, Oct 27 Mr Fraser, the Australian Prime Minister, put an end today to months of speculation by announcing to Parliament that there would be a general election on December 10. He had consulted Sir John Kerr, the Governor General, last night and recommended that the House of Representatives should be dissolved on November 10.

It will be the seventh federal election in 10 years. The House of Representatives' mandate would have expired on February 16, 1979.

Mr Fraser gave the following reasons for the early election; a precedent was set in 1955 by Sir William Slim, who was then Governor General and dissolved the House of Representatives 18 months ahead of time to bring House and Senate elections together (there will be an election for half the Senate seats also on December 10);

62 per cent had voted for simultaneous elections to both Houses in the May referendum; and finally an early election would provide an opportunity to end "speculation and the

resulting uncertainty".
Mr Fraser's announcement did not come as a surprise, It is believed that the real reason Fraser feels that December is the best time to secure another majority. He and his Cabinet might also fear a further

next year and an increase in unemployment. They may prefer to go to the electorate while Mr Gough Whitlam is still leader of the Opposition. Mr Whitlam told Parliament after the announcement: "At last the farce has ended. Since August when the Prime Minister said he might spring an election, the Australian economy and the Australian political system have been needlessly subjected to the stress and uncertainty deliberately created by the Prime Minister."

Andri Gromyko, Foreign Minister. th deterioration of the economy

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between government forces Muslim rebels yesterday on Island, near Zamboanga in the southern Philippines. unboanga radio broadcasts that at least 11 people had killed and 22 wounded. battle, which had began on beach, spilled into the town. ed that there were civilian alties but gave no figures. AP.

anila, Oct 27.—Scores of They said that troops had enians, including a wedding gaged the rebel force on a y were caught in the cross-beach and the insurgents mingled with residents after retreatinto the town where

fighting continued. The father of a girl of eight who was seriously injured in the shooting, disputed the military's explanation. He said that the civilians were members of a Muslim wedding party attacked by military aircraft and Navy patrol boats.-UPI and

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The Man Who Skied Down Everest Covent Garden Cinema

Alfred Sole appears out of the blue as a new and unknown name, chough Communion is in fact his third feature as director, (The first, Deep Sleep, seems to have had censorship problems; the second, American Soap, is still awaiting release.) On the strength of this single film, however, there is no doubt that he is a new American talent of real originality and quality.

He's full of tricks, too,

always leading you on, in the way of good storytellers, in reassuring expectations which he suddenly dashes, only to lead you down some other path. Behind the titles appears a misty image of a child in a communion dress who slowly raises her crucifix until it reveals a bloody blade in its foot. The story begins with Mrs Spages and her two little daughters in the rectory, surrounded by the baleful iconography of cheap religious prints and plaster statuary. With the wide malevolent eves of the elder girl, Africe, it all promises to be a further tale of a sammic child; and it is no surprise when little Karen is murdered just as she is about to enter the church for first communion, and a small figure in yellow hooded mac and plastic face mask drags the body across the sacristy floor . . Already, though, the first expectations are belied by an unexpected incursion of the absurd, in the doddery old nun who launches into hysterics at the smoke billowing from an oaken chest in which the

From this point (even with-out the clue of a briefly glimpsed poster for Psycho, which establishes the period as the early Sixies) Sole's ad-miration for Alfred Hitchock as master of the thrill, the gro-

corpse is smouldering.

Tiny Alice (Paula Sheppard) with knife

tesque and the good red her-ring is apparent. As a story-teller he has not yet the assurance of Hitchcock, it is and family loyalty permits landlord Mr Alphonse, shur up them to risk any sacrifice with his cast and 78s of Thir-shown. As the first Spanish rather arbitrarily about two thirds through, at a point where it seems in danger of becoming an indeterminate recital of murders: Hitchcock would at least have had more cumping in concealing his

But Alfred Sole has other qualities. Beneath the properly lurid incident of the murder story is a very shrewd and sub-versive analysis of middle-class life and character, or use tandily, the church and the doddering monagnor a many police—all firmly placed in a police—all firmly placed in a nication.) If the church is seen gifted new director.

See a context in Pater. life and character, of the family, the church and police all firmly placed in a geographical context, in Pater son, New Jersey, which happens to be Sole's home town. The Spages' divorce is a threat; and indeed they are clearly at the root of the mother's excessive emotional mother's excessive emotional the playboy centrefolds, always the wrong end of their whose ambitions are larger than the talent of the director.

fessional cynics who have de-

that sick instant in April, 1945, when the Czech people stood poised between the concentration camps of Nazism and Sov-

ietism. Somewhere in the Czech

countryside, a girl emerges from a bomb shelter in the grounds of her bourgeois parents' house to find the Nazis

gone; by the time she has taken her second breath of fresh air,

Colonel Shotkin of the NKVD

sense of irony is subtler than that. With him he has his old

university professor, picked up as a deserter along the way, and

his ur prole driver; with her,

she has her old nurse; and these five play out their various

rather than admit it. They turn to the church for

nor confined to his bedroom, reeks of barely suppressed frustrations and tensions. (Interestingly a novel based on the screenplay by Sole and Rose Mary Ritvo supplements the film story by giving the

catastrophe, are really as cer and the grotesque: Aunt

ties musicals; the police psy-chologist outraged as little Alice quietly pushes his del-icate and costly lie-detector off the edge of the table; the They turn to the courter for help; but the apparent haven of the rectory, with its beaming celibates, presided over by the waspish housekeeper as regent for the senile monsignor confined to his bedroom, reeks of barely suppressed the church chcir; the fluffy kitten which callously laps the

blood spilt by his slain master. Communion, allowing for its narrative lapse in the middle, is an irresistible, mischievous

town. The Spages' divorce is a threat; and indeed they are rial he has given himself to a shabby lot, in their numble work with, The Long Holidays down offices papered with fixation on Karen; and the jealousy of the two sisters getting the wrong end of their echoes older jealousies that clues, slipping off for cigatectory for the bitterness between their mother and their minear and looking helplessly three previous films in which shrewish aunt. The parents, temporarily reunited by the catastrophe are really as cer-

This film was made in the

film to show the Civil War from the point of view of the vanquished, it has a certain historical importance. It covers the period from

July, 1936, and the rising of Franco and his African troops. to January, 1939, and the ulm-mate rout of the Republicans. These events are seen from the position of two neighbouring families whose holidays in the hills behind Barcelona are extended by circumstances from month to month and year to year. There are births and deaths and alarms, distant gun-fire and sudden incursions of troops, bodies in the streets. The years bring hunger, greed, black market, breakdown. The children survive it all, accept

ing the events as part of their game and their growing up. The film's best moments are the beginning, when Camino manages to convey the feeling that people caught up in his-torical political crises are in-

from the RAM will know how

opening event, the programme for which was happily chosen. It started, noting the Academy's

ownership of the autograph score of The Fairy Queen and

what they can do.

everful hus but as the years pass, the family saga remains superficial, reactions to the events rather than in any real sense a commentary

Wim Verstappen and Pim de la Parra-Wim-and-Pim-are a rather regrettable Dutch film industry miracle. The latest of their films to be shown here (they are respectively its pro-ducer and director) is Mp Nights with Susan, Sandra, Nights with Susan, Sandra, Olga and fulie which deserves a very high place in the list of the world's most idiatic pic-

Susan who has an over-developed maternal instinct and a house by a dyke, keeps her reclusive fiance Albert locked in a dark room. Through a hole in the wall he spies on Sandra and Olga, a couple of lesbians who take time off to lesbians who take time off to seduce and slaughter passing men. There is also Julie who has to sleep a lot because she is spending the nights in Albert's cell; and Plet, the female willage id.m who collects Sendra and Olga's cast-off corpses. They all get progressively sillier till it ends up with Piet incinerating Sandra and Piet incinerating Sandra and Olga in a locked but, sitting between her beloved corpses to enjoy the blaze, Susan retires to the Côte d'Azur with Anton, a passing motor-cyclist. Well, wouldn't you?

In some ways the documentary The Man Who Skied Down Everest (which took an Oscar last year) is crazier. It is the record of an adventure undertaken by a Japanese ski champion Yuichiro Miura, who decided that having already skied down Fuji and Popacatapetl, and got his own television show and a job in the Ministry of Physical Fitness, it was time for him to ski down Everest. for him to ski down Everest.

whimsical embition (in the outcome it took him two and a third minutes to helter-skelter down a mile and a quarter of the peak) he set out with 800 people and 27 tons of equipment. In the course of the undertaking half a dozen Shercas lost their lives. Miura had thoughtfully taken Panavision cameras, film stock and a superb cameraman. Some time was assembled, with additional sound, by a Canadian, Budge Crawiey.

The material is undeniably splendid: the cameraman records Miura's peak feat impercably, keeping the skier dead centre of the frame every instant; and there are oddities like a scene of Sherpas in the Himalayan wilderness getting their first taste of Bonanza on television. But you need to share Miura's belief that the personal challenge to himself was worth the sacrifice of these men for whom the only challenge, presumably, was m gain a livelihood for their fam-ilies.

David Robinson

Television

Alan Coren

On the day that the Wehrmacht and the Gestapo were replaced in central Europe by the Red Army and the NKVD, cynicism came of age. It could no longer function merely as a healthy check to the pathetic preten-sions of idealism, or indeed ideology; nor as a dark comic antidote to the folly of taking life at face value; nor even as a useful tool to turn anger and frustration and impotence to creative profit.

It became, for those on whom the Iron Curtain fell, the only life support system. It enabled people, provided they committed themselves totally to it, to cease to ascribe moral meaning to life. The West, of course, re-mains full of amateur cynics, who are in fact disguised idealists, betraying at every turn their true belief that ideals exist but that the world is con-stantly falling short of them. Across the border lie the pro-

Peter, Tina and Steve

Lord Snowdon's new film, with

its message of compassion,

comes at an opportune moment.

With Britain threatening to

lurch to the right, and, with

the concomitant law and order

campaign rapidly gathering momentum, adolescents who fall foul of the law are likely to get even shorter shrift in future than they do at present.

Peter, Tina and Steve looked at three case histories in an impressive units.

BBC SO/Berglund

Pagyo Berglund's work as con-ductor of the Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra is familiar,

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accommodations to the hideous ironies of the totalitarian pawn exchange.

They are, as befits people engaged in an analogous subplot to great events, five minor Shakesnearian characters: the

in Sweden and the United States, allows severely mal-adjusted adolescents who would otherwise have been considered unsuitable for fostering to remain in the community and thus get a rather better chance to sort themselves out.

The case could hardly have been made more forcefully that many of rhese children should be regarded as emotional refugees.

Tina's family had fallen apart in excructaining circumstances. Her mother admitted that she had been unable to get close to had been thable to get close to any of her daughters. Her foster-mother diagnosed her antisocial behaviour as a symp-tom of her rage at being de-prived of love, and the filmed report was indeed eloquent testimony to that fact.

at three case histories in an impressive new fostering scheme now operating in Kent. Institutional care is expensive and, as the voice-over pointed out, is unlikely to "cure" delinquent behaviour. The Special Family Placement Project, which follows a lead given Steve was presented as a depressed, deprived product of a lifetime in care. "He seemed

musician in some other music hear it frequently. particularly congenial to him, not so obviously his recognized

In the event he drew generous, sensitive playing from the orchestra, with a sonorous character that seemed his own contribution, discreet and refined, rather confidential in lyrical or serene or slow music. Symphony Orchestra is familiar, often mentioned on this page in one context or another. On Wednesday he came to London as guest conductor of the BBC Symphony Orchestra. His programme was bounded by two outstanding symphonies from his native Scandinavia, Sibelius's seventh and Nielsen's fifth, music in which he is known to excel. They suggested unadventurous programme planning: Mr Berglund's debut with this orchestra in this hall would have been an apt moment to introduce a fine and respected

lyrical or serene or slow music, though he did not attempt to play down the climaxes or passages of symphonic rension. And between the Scandinavian symphonies he placed Britten's violin concerto, an early, undervalued and eloquent work which was given an exceptionally noble performance with Ida Haendel as soloist. lyrical or serene or slow music.

The Nielsen symphony (with the crazy cadenza for side-drum) was, so to say, the point of excitement, since we do not ments.

Television

The programmed themselves of fessor, stunningly played by ideals: their only principle is Denholm Elliott, is Lear's Fool, the girl Blanka is the deranged Ophelia. The events which have rowing, valuable play was set in unbalanced them have left by Jury them with truths that they articulate without fully compre-hending. The nurse is Juliet's nurse, the sum total of common experience, who will shrug her way to survival over anything. The soldier is any Shake-spearian soldier, protected by his inability to care either way about the events and figures

who shape his destiny? And Shorkin? Shorkin, who is has driven up to requisition the premises for use as an interrogation centre. That the girl's father was killed by the Nazis, that her mother died in consequence, is an irrelevance; his closer to the main stage, comes higher up the Shakespearian league-table: a mix of Edmund and Angelo and Iago, a victor-victim who has made himself master of his own sentimentality, a man who employs his intellect to despise intellec-tualism, someone capable of simultaneously savouring and analysing his crucity, a totally self-contained being. Brilliantly portrayed by Edward Fox, he is the ultimate cynic.

On Wednesday the old-fashioned cynic, his professor, shot him dead. That there was no point in his doing so was the most unnerwing thing of all.

to have been crushed", his foster-mother said of his demeanour on arrival. Peter's mother, curiously detached, said that now he was being fostered he was much calmer, but his story also illustrated how intractable such cases can someintractable such cases can sometimes be. He did another burglary to mend his bicycle so that he could find a job and enjoy himself: his unnervingly biand amorality was clearly testing his foster-parents' patience to the limit.

In almost every respect this was an exemplary film. The sensitive production team know exactly when to pause, warch

exectly when to pause, watch and listen to the parents, foster-parents, social workers and children themselves so as to throw the lineaments of each case into high relief. At school, in borstal, or in scenes of pastoral bliss Tony Imi's camera work and Roger James's editing gave the film great resonance.

drummer, and his offstage alter ego, did not fail; the work's ego, did not fail; the work's dramatic progress was scrupulously pointed, yet the interpretation remained curiously unmomentous, as if the conductor were intent on eschewing flamboyance.

The Sibelius began marvellously, with intense tenderness and an atmosphere of loving exploration which was sustained up to the arrival of the glorious trombone theme, one

glorious trombone theme, one of music's greatest moments. Thereafter the tension was none too strong, the scherzos almost lackadaisical, the returns to the trombone tune heavily under-lined. He and the BBC players, and Miss Haendel, were in top form for the Britten, dapper in the Scherzo, purposeful and illuminating in the outer move-

drunken, petrified, verbose pro-

Royal Academy of

Stanley Sadie

For a long time—for the 150 or Lewis's position as a Purcell so years of its existence, in fact —the Royal Academy of Music —the Royal Academy has suffered from its lack of an adequate theatre for the peracequate theatre for the per-formance of opera. On Wednes-day, after five hard years of fund raising, planning and building, a new one was opened, by Princess Alice, Duchess of Gloucester.

Called the Sir Jack Lyons Theatre after its principal benefactor, it is of modest dimensions, appropriate to stu-dents' voices, of which too much should not be asked. It seats about 300, in a rather wide-fanning, shallow auditor-ium, in attractive, restful shades of grey and warm red. There is no wood or other hard surface to add sheen or reson-nance to the voices; the sur-faces are soft, some in a carpetlike finish, some in what feels to the touch like suede. The acoustic of the Lyons Theatre is clear and truthful. Singers

staged in pastoral style by Dennis Maunder in costumes by Peter Docherty and a set by Oliver Baylton. The young singers coped quite well with the style; I enjoyed the nearly hyphylic rhythmic countertenors, especially Philip Newton, also Hilary Reynolds's melodious

account of Spring's music, the excellent discipline and articulation of the chorus and the rhythmic playing Sir Anthony drew from the orchestra.

The occasion demanded a The occasion demanded a new work, and one was supplied by John Gardner, a one-act comic opera, Tobermory, based on Saki's story about the cat who learns to talk and is promptly wished dead by the guests at a country house who fear it may disclose their guilty secrets. It is quite funny, and reasonably apt for music. Mr Gardner and his librettist,

lives of the men at sea and the women left behind and statis-

tics and descriptions of whaling.

Miss Luckham sets the period with a 1930s dance band play-

with a 1930s dance that playing familiar music and writes
dialogue that has an authentic
ring. But in her effort to describe fully the lives of particular people in a particular time
she yields to the temptation to

throw in everything, particularly including the kitchen sink and

steaming tea kettles.

houses Unilever employees, to tion scene, however, to suggest the decks of whaling ships. Interspersed with music are the problems. An understated pick-

to work to project their voices, the 1920s. That permitted us and will have no illusions about to incluige, as did Mr Baylton's settings, our picture of life among the flappers of 50 years We heard several of the prescore took advantage of that with scraps of jazz along with touches of humour and of sen-timent. It is all quite charmingly done, with some strong set-piece ensembles often con-taining pleasantly interwoven counterpoints and plenty of expressive, as well as ingen-

Gavin Ewart, chose to set it in

ious, use of orchestral textures. Students rarely find comedy easy, but in Mr Maunder's production they carried it off with considerable assurance, notably Christine Taylor's stylish Lady Blemley and the urbane Bertie of Christopher Blades (an exof Christopher Blades (an ex-student). Steuart Bedford con-ducted confidently and sensitively, both here and in Trial by Jury, given in a newly authentic version prepared by Arthur Jacobs and done in a modern setting, with a jury of both sexes, and a relaxed, bejeaned, guita-playing Defen-dant (Keith Hoare) standing out from the formal, suited itures. Anna Sweener's proour from the formal, suited jurors. Anna Sweeney's production had plemy of life and made guod use of the well-sized stage; and Richard Sward's Judge was distinguished for neat comic timing and dry delivery.

up at a company dance is a far more effective sequence.

Caroline Eves's production does not always unite the play's different directions. A corner of

different directions. A corner of the stage is given to kitchen realism; elsewhere. Norwegian sailors step forward to explain whating and singers provide songs when it is not necessary. She has drawn good performances from the company and keeps a lively sense of period.

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Yatesy and the Whale Everyman, Liverpool

Ned Chaillet

At one point in Claire Luck-ham's new play, the moral be-comes unmistakably pointed when a harpoon gun rises from the stage and is aimed directly at the most expensive seats. It explodes, the audience standing in for absent whales, and Miss Luckham's mured save the whale " campaign briefly becomes a " save the people"

Her story is about people and whales throughout, but not all her shafts are aimed so exactly at targets. The action shifts from Port Sunlight village, the factory community built by Lord Leverhulme which still

Antony and Cleopatra

Inving Wardle

If there is one thing worse than classroom Shakespeare, it is the sight of a substandard company making a gallant stab at a set play. Those are harsh words to throw at the Dolphin Theatre Company, but I must say my heart sunk into my Polyveits when the lights went up on this mighty tragedy revealing a group of boys in belted sweaters against the background of three egainst the background of three plywood arches.

Adminedly the event is described as a workshop production, and admintedly the company are meagrely subsidized. But so are a good many other outsits that manage to turn poverty to advantage. Acting the part of the poor relation is no way to increase a grant, much less assemble an audience.

Most of the experienced much less assemble an audience.

Most of the strenuously doubling cast of 17 consist of former members of the National Youth Theatre. They play with well disciplined vigour, but apart from Rill. Buffery's Eros and Tom Karol's eloquent Agrippa, one scans eloquent Agrippa, one scans ense of magnitude but any the stage in van for addividual quantity of female goile.

For the most part the moral points of view are suspended for the sake of nostalgic re-creation, such as the whale skeleton which hangs over the auditorium. There is entersimment value in that, as in the soins and the soins are soins are soins and the soins are Her approach gives the women of the Everyman company a chance to show their talents, and talented they certainly seem to be I particularly admired the performances of Val Lilley and Victoria Hardcastle. She need not have written in a hackneyed aborand "burny hope", but a clear viewpoint would have provided

personalities of the kind the NYT has launched in the past. What a comrast with their recent brilliantly individualized revival of Terson's Good Lads.

at Heart.

Michael Croft (playing a breezily conviyial Enobarbus) directs with an absolute minimum of directorial decisions,

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SPORT.

Villa's League Cup reign could well end at the City Ground

By Norman Fox Football Correspondent

that cannot be taught

Hippopotamus puts foot in

putting which held him back today for a five over par 78.
Gay for a five over par 78.
Sam Torrance, of Scotland,
dropped from second to fourteenth position after returning a
78 today. Gazy Player, of South
Africa, returned a 74 today to
foot of one of the many wild
give him 144 and fourth place,
animals that roam the Flanham.

Gallardo's challenge

be taught. Players are born with them."

Bearzot stressed that patience was needed if the England team was to be rebuilt successfully. "I had to wait two years for some of

—Angel Gallardo, of Spain, and Tony Jacklin, of Britain, were angry tonight at the end of the

second round of a 50,000 rand (£35,000) Victoria Falls golf

Jacklin's complaint was not unusual—he was dissatisfied with his putting which held him back today for a five over par 78. Gallardo's rage was caused by something more unusual. His ball

Hills course on the banks of the Zambesi. "I thought I would be

allowed a free drop, but I was not," Gallardo said. "I don't know about the rules here but on the Continent you can lift and drop into the bunker from any kind of animal hole."

The judges ruled that the hole was not caused by a burrowing animal, in which case he would

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Football Correspondent

Aston Villa's formitous passage into the fourth round of the League Cup by way of a contreversial penalty against Queen's Park Rangers on Wednesday led them into probably the most difficult of the set drawn yesterday. They play Nortingham Forest at the City Ground, where the first division leaders are unbeaten. Unless they show considerable improvement. Villa's religit as the holders will end there next month. Villa have become League Cup specialists, having won the trophy in a second replay against Eventon last season and being the winners in 1975 and 1961, the first year of the competition. They also appeared in the finals of 1963 and 1971. This season, though, their League form has been slow to improve after a poor start. Their display against Rangers, who had been beaten by Forest on Saturday and were in disarray, offered little encouragement, aithough they have a month in which to regain their style of last season. Forest beat them 2—0 in a League match last month is but the Nortingham club's assistant manager, Peter Taylor, said last night that he anticipated a

national football is all about personality and personality comes with time."

Referring to his problems when he took over the haly team, he said: "The typical Italian style died after the 1974 World Cup. Our players then were specialists in certain positions. I had to find players of more general potential. At first there was a lot of criticism because I chose comparative unknowns, mainly from Turin and Juventus. It took time, the improvement came slowly.

Bearzot cald that at one time he was nearly dismissed and then threatened to resign.

The England-Italy World Cup qualifying match on November 16 will be screened live from Wembley exclusively on IBA.

have been allowed to drop, but by a heavy foot. "You can't call a hippo or a warthog a burrowing animal", one judge said.

Gallardo went on to score a two-over-par six at the 449-yard 14th hole and the incident so unnerved him that he lost control of his game. "I went double bogey, bogey, bogey", he said. He finished with a one over 74.

Andries Ocsterbuizen.

Olympic Games

Sweden estimate

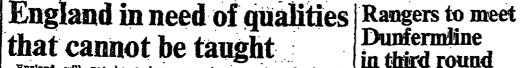
cost of winter Games at £23m

came Totrenham Hotspur and Leicester City before being knocked out by the eventual win-Leicester City before being knocked out by the eventual winners, Villa.

As a result of Wrexham's march with Swindon or Portsmooth, there will be at least one third division team in the last eight, but the real outsiders are Sheffield Wednesday, boutom of that division, and how managed by Jack Charlton. They will meet the winners of the replay between Everton and Charlton's former club, Middlesbrough. At last, Hillsborough should be more than half full and perhaps the Owl will open both eyes.

Three other managers will be plotting against their old clubs. Terry Neill now manages Arsenal but was once with Hull City, who must travel to Highbury. but was once with Hull City, who must travel to Highbury, who must travel to Highbury. Immy Armfield, manager of Leeds, returns to Bolton and Gordon Milne, of Coventry City, will be at Liverpool where he was a player.

Fourth round draw Wreshem v Swindon or Portamonth. Bury or Milwall v West Bromwich Albam, Arsenal v Mill City. Liverpool v Coventry City. Shelloid Wednesday v Middlashorousa of Everton.



Rangers, who eliminated the Scorash League Cup holders, Aberdeen, in the third round, face the second division side, Dunfermine Athletic in the two-leg quarter-final round next month. Rangers went down 3-1 at Aberdeen on Wedreaday night, but had won the first leg 6-1. Dunfermline won their first-leg game against Clydebank and drew the return at Kibbowie Park.

Celtic, having scraped through by the odd goal against Stirling Albion, now meet St Mirren, who have already won a premier division game at Celtic Park this season.

Seeson.
Forfar Athletic who put out premier division club, Ayr United, now meet Queen of the South.
The draw for the quarter-final round of the Scottish League Cupits.

Leighton James with his wife after signing for Rangers. James-Masson deal goes through as Flynn ponders

gling side.

Mr Sibley, signed the Derby County winger, Leignton James, in a straight exchange for the unsettled Scorland modifield player. Don Masson, But then Brian Flynn, another Weish international whom he is trying to sign, returned to Burnley to talk over a possible \$200,000 move with his wife.

Mr Sibley received another set back when Luton Town rejected a £150,000 offer for Paul Futcuer, their England Under 23 defender. Meanwhile James and Masson make their first appearances tomake their first appearances to-morrow, at home to West Brom-wich Albion and Norwich City. The Derby County manager.
Tommy Docherty, missed the final negotiations because of influenza.
Frank Blunsnore, his assistant, said: "Both clubs should be

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Today's fixtures

Fluctuating fortunes for Paish couple

Australian wife, Wendy, faced a day of adventure and misadventure in the tournament, sponsored by Slazenger, yesterday. Paish was forced into a second set retirement by the combination of a lively opponet and a pulled calf muscle. At the same time his wife was struggling to save two match was struggling to save two match points in the tenth game of her linal set.

As Paish imped off, after conceding his quarter-final round match 3—6, 0—1, to the 21-year-old Clive Rothwell, of Eastbourne, Mrs Paish was saving herself with two superb volleys and recovered to beat Aminea Cooper, of Sevenoaks, 4—6, 6—2, 7—6. Even then Mrs Paish, an Australian, who lives with her husband in New York, thought she was in danger

York, thought she was in danger when it was discovered that, according to the tournament rules. according to the tournament rules, the tie-break applied only to the first two sets. Miss Cooper, disappointed at missing her two match points at 5—4, demanded to know what the position was, but she was reminded by the referee, Fred Hoyles, that the contrament committee had the right to change the rules in an emergency and had done so on the opening day, when bad weather lat the competition.

Mrs Paish, who had missed three match points at 6-3 in a tense tie-break, survived to meet the top-seeded Corinne Molesthe top-seeded Corinne Moles-worth, of Brixham, Devon, a former Wighman Cup player, in today's semi-finals. Miss Moles-worth had easily beaten Clare Harrison, 6—4, 6—4, although the Surrey girl had recovered well from 2—5, to 4—5 in the second

Deborah Jevans, the 17-year-old juntor Wimbledon champion, from junior Wimbledon champion, from Chigwell, Essex, was another casulative after injuring a leg in a fall at her hotel but she limped through to beat Linda Geeves, of Middlesex, 6-0, 6-3.

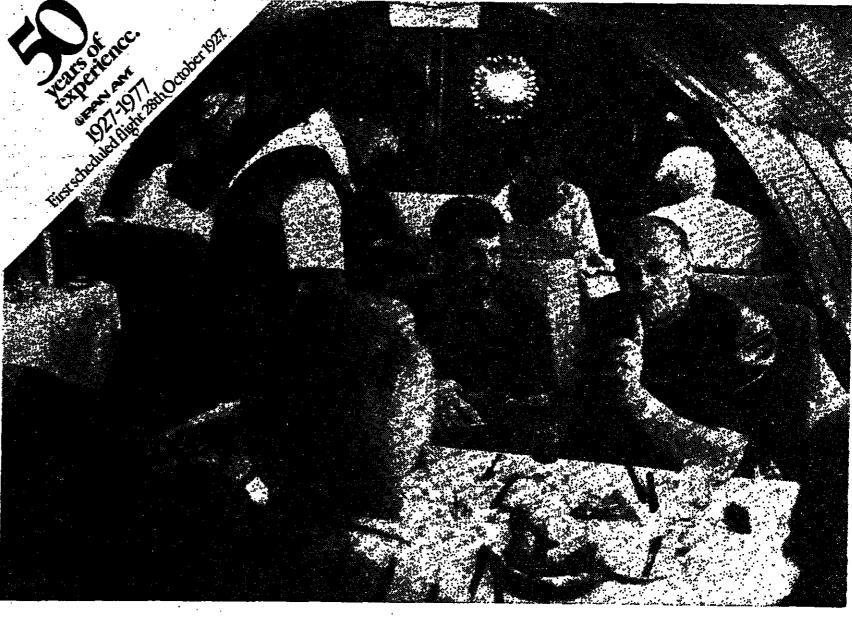
Miss Jerans now meets Anne Hobbs, of Cheshire, the second seed, in the other send-final. David Lloyd, first seed in the men's singles, came through men's singles, came through untroubled, 6—4, 6—3, against the young Canadian, Nicholas Mohyoung Canadian, Nicholas Montadi, and faces a lively semi-final match against the strong Dutch player Theo Gorter.

MEN'S SINGLES: Ouarier Ival round: C. Rohwall beat J. Paish, 6-5, 1-0, religid: M. Appleton beat N. Gooden, 6-2, 6-4; D. A. Lloyd beat N. Mohtadi (Canada: 6-4, WOMEN'S SINGLES: Quorter-first round: Miss C. Molssworth beat M'va C. Rarrison, 6-4, 6-4, 1818 Nrs W. C. Marrison, 6-4, 6-4, 1818 Nrs W. Cook, 1918 Nrs W. C. Marrison, 6-4, 1918 Nrs W. Cook, 1918 Nrs W. C. Marrison, 6-4, 1918 Nrs W. C. Marrison, 6-4, 1918 Nrs W. Cook, 1918 Nr

More investigations into South African game

national tennis will be decided Bext spring after the visit of a delegation to the country to in-February. David Gray, London-based secretary of the Interone of the delegates going, said: We feel we still have so many conflicting stories about the state of tennis in South Africa that we must incestigate further, before making a decision about their future in international competition. "We have to be sure we do not make things where for the consist of more than three representatives and seems certain to include one from the third world countries. Their terms of reference have been clearly de-

1: To discover what degree of discrimination exists in South African tennis at the moment and how much progress is being made towards the establishment of non-racial sport. 2: To find if it is possible under South African law for one united non-racial governing body to administer tennis fairly and properly and whether the various racial groups want a united administration. 3: To discover whether under the stated policies of the South African government, integrated tennis do not make things worse for the of the community. 5: To decide less privileged people in tennis." If South Africa can be accepted The delegation is unlikely to as a competitor in international team tournaments such as the Davis Cup and Federation Cup and whether any decision to ex-clude South Africa would be bene-



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Did anyone see what the film is going to be? Oh. Never heard of that one. I see, a pre-release.

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Stockholm, Oct 27.—Sweden will apply to the International Olympic Committee (IOC) to hold the 1984 winter Olympic Games at four sites throughout the country, the Government said today. Göteborg has agreed to act as host since IOC rules specify that only one city can fill that role. But the Games would be spread, in addition, to Falun, Aare, and Hammarstrand. "This is necessary to avoid high costs", the Agriculture Minister, Anders Dahlgren, said. Mr Dahlgren is in charge of sports activities in Sweden. Rolf Raemgaard, a former ski champion and now a member of Parliament who was asked by the Government to draw up a facethilling to the Called the Cames AB, 5a Chifford St. New B A VICTORIAN ARTIST IN AUSTRALIA Vater Colours & Draw mas by Charles Dicker (1553-1912), Daily 10-5, Sais, (0-12, Unit) OCT, 28th. ARLEGROUGH 6 Albatarie St. W.I. JOHN PIPER Paintings, Gottiches and Graphics, 21 Oct-26 Nov. Mon-Fri. 10-5.30. Stt. 10-13.30. Bond St., W.1. 499
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The plan calls for Göteborg to stage the speedskating, ice skating and figure skating; the Alpine skiling to be held in Aare, 330 miles north of Göteborg; Falun (235 miles north) to hold the Nordic skiling and biathlon; and Hammarstrand to bost the tobogganing events.—UPI.

Swimming

England clothing restrictions

Top English swimmers will no longer be free to wear the costume of their choice in international of great choice in international events, the Amateur Swimming Association has ruled. Norman Sarsfield, the Association's secretary, said yesterday: "We are conterned about the pressure placed on individual swimmers who wear certain brands of clothplaced on tradiviousl swimmers who wear certain brands of clothing." Members of international teams will be required to give an undertaking to wear official team clothing and costumes for all international commitments. The ASA hope to achieve uniformity among team members in line with the policy adopted by other coun-

No faults to find

Modena, Oct 27.—The Ferrari automobile factory said today that Japanese experts were mable to find any faults in their Formula One race car, driven by Gilles Villeneuve, which was involved in a fatal crash during the Japanese Grand Prix.—Reuter.

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Racing

Boldboy entitled to pride of place

Boldboy has been the only horse seriously backed to capture to-morrow's Vernon Sprint Cup, Haydock Park's richest race and the final pattern event of this season in this country. Major Dick Hern has had his eye on this \$20,000 prize ever since this record stakes-earning gelding won the Challenge Stakes at the Houghton Meeting. Lady Beaverbrook, however, considered that her amazing seven-year-old had already done enough this season, with four important victories to until next year. But on Monday,

whill next year. But on Monday, she had a change of heart, because of her trainer's reports of Boldboy's continued well being.

After being laid to lose a total of £24,000 by Joe Coral and the Tote yesterday, Boldboy is now 11 to 8, with both firms. On all known form, he is entitled to bis nosition in the market. But the osition in the market. But the formbook tends to be turned up-side down at this stage of the season, and vntil the draw and underfoot conditions are known, the present odds are far too short. Corals are also betting on the 5,000 Morecambe Handicap the E5,000 Morecambe Handicap the same afternoon. Givin Princhard-Gordon's fluent Newbury winner. Aspect, is favourite at 5-1. But the money has been for the Arundel trained Man of Harlech, whose recent easy york victory suggested that he was back to the ability which won him the Free Handicap last season. There has a winner by a wide margin for Bill

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2.30 ROYSTON CLAIMING STAKES (3-y-o: £1,000: 1m)

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Heir Presumptive has scored Heir Presumptive has scored twice since Goodwood, at Ling-field Park and Sandown Park. So Proper, third in the Goodwood race, was also successful at Ling-field, but was subsequently dis-qualified for interference. Mr Gibbs had some of this running to consider when framing his handicap, but the whole picture is one of progressive form and Weth Nan could well be lementy treated.

The Staffordshire trainer, Reg Hollinshead has been running riot recently. There has been a steady stream of well-backed winners from his stable in the past few weeks. Nice Value can continue the sequence by repeating last week's Doncaster victory in the Claude Harrison Memorial Trophy Handicap. Offa's Mead and Sica-santa, first and second in a similar santa, first and second in a similar race at Newbury last week, seem to be the main dangers. If the front running Offa's Mead can be relied upon to repeat his Newbury form, he should win this from the favourite, No. 10 draw. But it is asking a great deal of an eight-year-old to defy a 5ib penalty, and Nice Value's waiting factics may succeed again. tactics may succeed again.

Another trainer in form, Christopher Thornton can continue on his winning way with Miss Eliza, who has Startingo and Golden Vow to overcome in the Southport Handicap. The National Hunt trainer, Fred Rimell, who has just completed three wins on the flat with Piccadilly Line, can provide another success in that sphere by taking the Blackpool Maiden Stakes with Lewis who chased Badajos home at Doncaster last week. Another trainer in form,

3.15 SOUTHPORT HANDICAP (3-y-o: £1,275: 1m 40yd)
505 0-401 Cactaue, Denys Smith, 9-1 L. Chan
505 140323 Golden Vow. G. P. Gordon, 8-8 L. E.
507 21-0712 Miss Eltra (D.), C. Thornton, 8-3 J. Blee
508 401224 Randa, B. Hills, 8-1 7-1
510 4330 U. Cartaue, R. Aurahy, 7-15 J. J.
511 433000 Mesiadream, N. Adam, 7-12 S. V.
512 304216 Great Estage, G. Harwood, 7-10 S. Biac
513 304216 Great Estage, G. Harwood, 7-10 S. Biac
514 305200 Mercy's Edon, M. Cauluppridge, 7-7 J. J.
518 30-3021 Statings, 1 Walker, 7-7 J. C. E.
519 300301 Heit Bent, E. Weynes, 7-7 J. J.
521 402230 Seed Corn, W. Estey, 7-7 J. M. Will
521 0000-1 Love Me Two, M. Canacho, 7-7 J. J.
522 030031 Heit Bent, E. Weynes, 7-7 J. M. Will
523 0-00-04 Raw Dual, P. Arthur, 7-7 S. C. E.
524 0000 Seagas (B.), D. Sasse 7-7 J. H. Balig
100-30 Surringo, 4-1 Miss Eliza, 9-2 Cactaue, 6-1 Randa, 7-1
Tvo. B-1 Golden Vow. 10-1 Hell Bent, 14-1 Great Estage, 16-1 other
345 RIACKPOON, STAKFS (Mandangs, 5028, 11m)

3.45 BLACKPOOL STAKES (Maidens: £928: 11m)

By Our Racing Staff 1.15 Angelaine. 1.45 Princess Du Seine. 2.15 Nice Value. 2.45 Weth Nan. 3.15 Miss Eliza. 3.45 Lewis.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent 1.15 Marked Time. 1.45 Wollop. 2.15 Skin Deep. 2.45 Lambkin. 3.15 Startingo. 3.45 Bally Knoud.

4.0 SUFFOLK HANDICAP (2-y-o: £1,331: 55)

1 001214 Oscilight (D), J. Sutchwe. 5-0 ... B. Rouse 1
2 110004 Alcinea (B,D), D. Saxe. 8-1.1 ... M. Thomas 7
8 012207 Roseburn (B,D), R. Jarvis, S.S. M. Hutchinson 6
8 012207 Roseburn (B,D), R. Jarvis, S.S. M. Hutchinson 6
9 000001 Star Kid (D), V. Mitchell, S.S. M. Hutchinson 6
10 00001 Star Kid (D), V. Mitchell, S.S. M. Hutchinson 6
11 00303 Bandido, D. Marks, S.S. M. G. Saxtoy 8
12 00303 Bandido, D. Marks, S.S. V. Wooxis 5 10
13 00303 Bandido, D. Marks, S.S. V. Wooxis 5 10
14 0030204 Billy the Kid, C. Hill, S.S. D. McKay 3
15 00012 Telbal Call (D), P. Mctcalle, S.S. L. Piggatt 5
17 04010 Mrs. Bacton (D), L. Cumani, S.J. L. Piggatt 5
18 00024 Night Owi (D), A. Pitt, 7-12 ... A. Bond 2
19 00041 Baryis Jewel (D), J. Winier, 7-12 ... A. Bond 5
20 000343 Night Owi (D), A. Pitt, 7-11 ... W. Carson 9
5-2 Retding Ridge, 7-2 Tribal Call, 9-2 Oscilight, 6-1 Tribal Way, 8-1 Araby, Doubiful Funner

By Our Racing Correspondent
1.30 Nation Wide. 2.0 Mint Condition. 2.30 Any Time. 3.0 Rate.
3.30 Spring to Mind. 4.0 REDDING RIDGE is specially recommended.
By Our Newmarket Correspondent
1.30 Nation Wide. 2.0 Tawdy. 2.30 Any Time. 3.0 Belt and Braces.
3.30 Swing Alone. 4.0 Tribal Call.

0 Bewick, J. Dunbos, 9-0 R. Hutchinson 2
00 Camon, W. Eisey, 9-0 M. Keitle 9
Chenotte, A. Hitte, 9-0 G. Sexton 15
Desiemen C. Brittsin, 9-0 S. Cottle 15

3.30 RED LODGE STAKES (2-y-o maidens: £1,679:6f)

4.0 SUFFOLK HANDICAP (2-y-o: £1,331: 5f)

3.0 AMPCO HURDLE (Handicap: £1,811:2m)

5.U AMMPCU NUKULE (Handicap: £1,811: Zm)
2 023123- Poterboi (D), F. Walwyn. C-11.0
4 41021-2 Select America (D), P. Balley, 7-10-7
5 200221- Select America (D), R. Balley, 7-10-7
6 100021- Secondary (D), R. Turnell. 8-10-5
8 14446-4 Miss Boon (D), R. Hoed 7-10-4
10 000-310 Captain Erra (D), R. Finch. 8-10-5
11 11200-4 True Shot (D), D. Markins, 4-10-1
12 03290-0 Rushmere (C-D), R. Alkins, 4-10-1
13 1241-2 Narribinal (C-D), D. Kent. 3-10-0
14 1241-2 Raribonal (D), D. Nuperal S-10-0
15 2121-0 Ranksborough (D), D. Nuperal S-10-0
7-2 Successor. 5-1 Brief Chance, 6-1 Narribinal Poterboi.
10-1 Miss Boon, Samuel Pepys, 12-1 kybo, True Shot, 15-1

3.30 WATERLOO HURDLE (Div II: Novices: £721: 2m)

By Our Racing Correspondent 1.0 Lanka. 1.30 Party Line. 2.0 Major Owen. 2.30 Queen's College. 3.0 Brief Chance. 3.30 Isotip.

Newmarket selections

Haydock Park selections

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Border Incident, the ante-post as favourite for the Chektenham Gold on Cup in Marth, landed odds of 5—2 h laid on him by a length and a half of from the 1976 Gold Cup winner a Royal Prolic, in the Terry Biddle-combe Challenge Trophy at Wincanton yesterday. Bookmakers trimmed Border Incident's price from 6-1 to 11-2 and 5-1, and introduced Royal Frolic at 9-1 and 12-1.

The nexture Royal Prolic at 9-1 and 12-1.

12-1.

The nervous Border Incident, who sweated heavily, fought hard for his head when John Francome restrained him at the rear in the first 100 yards or so, but settled well when ellowed to stride out in pursuit of Royal Frolic. He jumped ahead three fences out, was unridy at the hext, giving Francome an uncomfortable moment, but was brilliant at the last, so often an

uncomfortable moment, but was brilliant at the last, so often an expensive fence here.

"I ust what he wanted, exactly as I hoped. He couldn't have made a better start", Richard Hend said. He explained that it is always necessary for Border Incident's rider to have an early battle in order to make him settle. Royal Frolic's jumping was naturally rusty after 18 mouths' absence with leg trouble, and this trip was too short for him but he ran a fine race and was far from ran a line race and was far from finished when headed three fences out. "I'm delighted", Mercy Rimelt said; "We are quite confident he's now got over his leg troubles." roubles."

Both Border Incident and Royal Frolic are due to meet again next time out at Haydock Park in the Hamner Memorial Steeplechase.

Peterhof looks like being pipped

By Michael Phillips

Racing Correspondent

A year ago today Isle of Man carried the Queen mother's colours to victory at Sandown Park and this afternoon may be the turn of his younger half brother, Queen's College, to do likewise. Bred by his owner, Queen's College is a half brother to not only Isle of Man but Inch Acran. They both excelled at steeplechasing—Isle of Man is still doing well as he showed at Ascot on Wednesday—and it is thought that Queen's College will follow in their footsteps. Racing Correspondent

College will follow in their footsteps.

Last season he ran well enough
in all his races over hundles to
suggest that he ought to be capable of beating Another Dolly in
the October Novices Steeplechase
this afternoon, always assuming
that he jumps as well in public
as he has done at bome in private.

Another Dolly had some experience of steeplechasing in Ireland
last season before he icined Fred
Rimell's stable but I prefer
Queen's College on this occasion.
Otherwise today's racing at Sandown has a somewhat earthy
flavour, what with the Basic Super
Topper Union Handicap Steeplechase and the Ampco Potato Pean'
Handicap Hurdle, which have both
been sponsored by Universe Poods
Limited.

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The hurdle marks not only the first appearance this season of Peterbof who won the Triumph Hurdle two seasons ago but also

Peterisof who won the Triumph Hurdie two seasons ago but also his first race for his new trainer. Fulke Walwyn. Peterisof used to be trained in Yorkshire by Mick Lasterby. At his best Peterof would have a good chance of winning this afternoon but he might not be good enough or sharp enough to give 16 lbs to Peter Bailey's seven-year-old Brief Chance who should have benefited from his recent race at Kempton Park where he was runner-up to Grand Canyon.

On that occasion Brief Chance finished ahead of Miss Boon and he should do so again. This time Narribiuni could easily be more of a danger to Brief Chance than either Peterhof or Miss Boon. Successor ought to run well too. He is fit from a successful season's flat racing. The sponsored steeplechase could be won by Major Owen, who beat Brannidge Farmer at Fontwell Park recently. At least Major Owen has shown himself to be race fit whereas neither the Military Gold Cup winner. Double Bridal, nor Sea well tave been seen since last season. The Pirbridge Handicap Steeplechase is a suitable oportunity for Party Line to improve upon his second place behind Perambulate at Worcester. Before that he wais runner-up to Count Kinure at Stratford.

It would be difficult to imagine a more dreary programme than the one at Newwarket today. The

a more dreary programme than the one at Newmarket today. The best, or to be more precise, the best, or to be more precise, the most sporting bet there, could be Redding Ridge to win the Suffolk Nursery Handicap. I liked the way that Duncan Keith's colt won a similar race over today's course and distance towards the end of last month, He never looked like being caught that day by St. Terramar, who had won his previous race as Ascot and four before that. Our Newmarket correspondent told me yesterday that respondent told me yesterday that Harry Thomson Jones's unraced two-year-old. Rate, worked nicely with an older horse earlier this week and that he should give Lester Piggont a good ride in the Venice. was a close runner and the course in 38.9sec. Canada's terry Leibel, on Merchant of Venice. was a close runner and the venice. Zetłand Stakes.

Wincanton results 1.0 (1.1) NAILSWORTH STEEPLE-CHASE (Div 1: Novices: £582; 2m 5f)

1.30 (1.31) MERE STEEPLECHASE (Handlerp: £642; 3m 1f) Froe Motion, ch g, b; Arctic Slave
—Winning Free (Sheridan Engineering Ltd.) 6-11-7

Jimmy Miff R, Mangan (100-50) 1 Jimmy Miff K. Mangan (100-00).
S. Smith-E.clas (11-8 fev) 2
Branwell Boy . C. Brown (11-1) 3
AUSO RAN: 5-2 Agir (p), 9-1 Royal
Buchange (t), 5 ran. TOTE: Win, 35p! forecast, 81p. D. Nicholson, at Stow on the Wold. 41.

2.0 (2.2) SHERBORNE MURDLE (Handscap: £643; 2m) Southpaw, ch 9, by Morganatio—Gold Millle (Mrs M. Seddon-Brown) 7-10-10, 5, John (10-1) 1 Highland Orchid J. Snatth (3-1 fav) 2 Virginia Drive, J. Redmond 112-11 3 44(50 Nan) 9-2 Stonice Saint 6-3 Virgink Drive, J. Redmond 112-11 3
ALSO HAN: 9-2 Singing Saint, 6-1
Striker, 8-1 Court Melody (4th).
King's Hazard, 10-1 Woods (p), 12-1
licad Grae, 14-1 Faculty, 16-1 Orannorte, Samiella, 26-1 Centaur, LynLegend, Shoot the Lights, 15 rap.
TOTE: Win, 21.02, places, 50n,
54p, 58p; dual forecast, 21.81. S.
Meilor, at Lambourn. 1, 121. 2.30 (2.32) YERRY BIDDLECOMBE STEEPLECHASE (11.190, 2m 5f) 5.0 15.3) NAILSWORTH STEEPLE-CHASE | Div II: Novices: £375: 2m 51; lish ime, bi g. by Bing II—Double Magnum (Mrs O. Nogus-Fancey), 8-11-9; liaynes (6-5 fay) 7; Frederick John L. Gray (7-1) 2; Laffete . Mr G. Maundrell (20-1) 3

ALSO RAN: 4-1 Sugar Paim (f), 10-1 Mork's Boy (f), The Winker, 10-1 Pepping Tom. 20-1 Twikinh Spring, 3-1 Aririca, Pring Gold (41h), Northumberland frituded to rate, Paco's Darling, See Spark (p), 13 78h. TOTE: Win. Nip: places, 1997, 11p. 74p; dual forecast, 54p. 31, 101. D. Kent, at Chichester. 3.30 (3.31) NETHER WALLOP HURDLE (Handicap: 4-y-o; £498; 2m) Ramadan, ch c. by Amber Rama—
Gilt Tokun 1P. Brewort, 11-4
G. Brown 15-2;
Silversmith S. Smith Eccies (12-1)
Palakan P. Barton 114-1; TOTE: Win. 21p; places, 11p; 54p, 17p; fact, Test cricket life begins again at 41 for Australia's captain

Simpson expected to succeed

From Douglas Aiton
Melbourne, Oct. 27
In considering the appointment
of Bobby Simpson as Australia's
Test captain at the age of 41, it
is useful to remember that Jack
Hobbs made more than half of
his 61,237 runs after the age of
40. Then there was, of course,
the recalling of Colin Cowdrey, at
the age of 42, to play against Australia. Nevertheless Simpson's
appointment on October 17 as
captain of the Australian team to
play India caused a frenty of
immediate comment before most
involved with the game decided
it was a wise move.

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Simpson is a veteran of 52
Tests in which he made 4,131 Tests in which he made 4.131 runs at an average of 48.6. He last played for Australia when captain in the series against India 10 years ago. He captained Australia during 1963, 1964, 1967 and 1968. Apart from being the seventh highest run scorer for Australia in Tests, he took 99 catches and 47 wickets at 38.85 runs each. He led New South Wales to their last Sheffield Shield victory during the 1965-66 season, and when the Australian first class season opens on Saturday he will be captaining them again.

For the past few years Simpson has been playing grade cricket, one step below district cricket, with the Sydney club of Western Suburbs. He has also been running his own sports promotion business in Sydney Simpson has been extremely active since his appointment, practising and making plans for the Indian tour. He is not all.

extremely active since his appointment, practising and making plans for the Indian tour. He is not all that interested in talking about recent events, but clearly is delighted to have been brought

delighted to have been brought back as captain.

Something he will not comment on is the Packer series. "I just want to leave it at what I said before. It's a difficult one. It's a completely untried product. Let's wait and see," he said.

Despite the fact that Simpson has remained active as a cricketer, he admits to being nervous about the Indian tour. "Right now I think I am more nervous than when I started batting against Wes Hall and Charlie Griffith." He says he has been approached several times over the past 10 years to play first class cricket again. "I always said. No' on the basis that I thought Australia and New ZSouth Wales were in good hands and had enough talent to stay on top. But the special grot names and had enough talent to stay on top. But the special conditions this year made it necessary for an experienced player to be at the helm."



Sampson in his hey-day: now he promises more runs

He describes the decision, the order for Australia."

nevertheless as a difficult one and said he was most conscious of ting at four, five or six, in the reputation he had established in 52 Tests in which he captained proposed methods of simpling p nevertheless as a difficult one and said he was most conscious of the reputation he had established in 52 Tests in which he captained Australia a record 29 times.

He says that as captain of both New South Wales and Amstralia he hopes to instil in the teams "pride, and the desire to ger back on top and win". Simpson said: "There has been pride in these teams but it has not been fierce enough. I am fitter this year. I am about a stone lighter and I think that's of my own doing. I have introduced special training programmes for the state squad and that had to reflect back on myself. I would not selection again if I thought I would not make runs. I have proved the proposed methods of simpling the feam to play India. Simpson, he was been outspoken on and subject.

He has been the leading the hat for Western Suburby him season. Alan Davidson, a fortile training programmes for the state squad and that had to reflect back on myself. I would not selection again if I thought I would not make runs. I have would not make runs. I have never surrendered my wicket easily. I have always considered it my obligation to my team, my-self and to speciators to get runs."

Tests will be a great success. The has been a top run-getter in grand cricket and is in top physical condition." he said.

Keith Miller, another former Test player, agrees Bobis Simpson will be a great success. He has a wonderful batting tell induce and is fitter at the industry than he has been for years. Indeed, Simpson's appointment seems to have attracted no protest at all. The general feeting Simpson is not yet sure of the Indeed, Simpson's appointment position he will take in the bat ting order. Where I bar depends on the make-up of the Australian team and what the selectors want. Anstralian end of Test critical I am prepared to bat anywhere in still has a secure future.

Horse show

Flawless

Landover, Maryland, Oct 27. Landover, Maryland, Oct 27.—
John Whitaker, of Britain, riding
Singing Wind, captured the S1,000
International Open at the Washington Horse Show here last night.
Mrs Elizabeth Edgar on Everest
Makedo was fourth and her husband Ted, riding Everest Amigo,

hand led, riding Everest Anngo, sixth.

The United States lead the team compenition, which continues until Sunday, with 31 points, Britain have 27, Canada 14 and West Germany six.

The 22-year-old Whizaker and the property of the state of

Venice, was a close runner up. West Germany had their best placing in the show so far with a third place by Lutz Merkel on Golden Gate. Ian Millar, of Canada, took fifth place, but the best the United States team could accomplish was an eighth place by Joe Sargis, of Vienna, Virginia, on Sudden Death. Afterwards Whitaker said he thought his horse had a good chance to win the class after she had jumped the second of the 11 obstacles on the course. It took Singing Wind three or four classes to get going in a show.—Reuter and UPI.

Broome to carry the flag for Britain

By Pamela Macgregor-Morris
David Broome, with Ballywillwill
and Highland Laddie (a half
brother to Roy Trigg's working
hunter champion, Morning Giory)
will be carrying the flag at the
international jumping show which
runs in Teheran from November
I to 4. It is promoted by the Royal
Horse Society and takes place
each evening at the Aryamehr
indoor stadium, where the prize
money is £500 to the winner of
each ordinary compedition, £700
for the puissance, £500 for the
accumulator and £2,000 for the
Grand Prix, which carries a total
of £3,300.

Harvey South is the other

Grand Prix, which carries a total of 58,300.

Harvey Smith is the other British rider, with Olympic Star and Graffiti. Participating nations are Belgium, Brazil, Great Britain, France, Iran, Ireland, Italy, Spain, Switzerland and West Germany. It is believed that this may be a trial run for the Olympic Games, should they be granted to Iran in 1984. Horses are to be flown out collectively from Paris by the Hipavia Agency on a plane chartered by the Royal Horse Society. Invited guests, members of the jury, course builders and officials will be the guests of the Royal Horse Society at the Hilton Hotel.

A junior team will compete at Torlout in Belgium, from Novembers of Belgium, from Novembers and Belgium, from Novembers of Belgium, from B A junior team will compete at Torhout in Belgium, from Nor-ember 4 to 6. David Broome (with Philco and Jegermeister), Carolyn Bradley (Berna and Marius) and Harvey and Robert Smith (Grat and Spooky, Royal Rufus and Upton), go to Vienna for November 12 and 13 and a young team, led by 'ally Mapleson, will go to the Mepple Show in the Netherlands from 17 to 19.

On Wednesday at the Hilton lands from 17 to 19.

On Wednesday at the Hilton Hotel in London, Lord Exeter will present Colonel Sir Michael Ausell, on behalf of the International Olympic committee, with the silver medal of the Olympic Order at a reception which lasts from 5.30 until 7 o'clock.

How Packer series might have been called off

By John Hennessy

Evidence was given in the High Courty esterday that Mr Tony Greig had said early last summer that Mr Kerry Packer would be prepared to call off his projected cricket series if he could get the exclusive television rights to cricket in Australia.

Mr Donald Carr, secretary of the Test and County Cricket had taken place on May 12, three days after the news of Mr Packer's series first broke in this country. Mr Carr said he had pointed out to Mr Greig that he and other England cricketers who had signed for Mr Packer had "assisted Kerry Packer in achieving a position where he could blackmall the authorities". He said that Mr Greig had been 5. The disruptive influences who matches.

blackmall the authorities." He matches.

said that Mr Greig had been
"evasive" in his reply and Packer players, who would he didn't really make much comment on that."

There had been no obvious disagreement among the counties with Mr Carr under cross when discussing the proposed

Rugby Union

England able to confirm strength at forward

By Peter West

Rugby Correspondent

The most cheering thing to come out of the selectors' recent visit to Paris—when Mr Sanders' XV beat Paris—the University Club on Wednesday evening—is that Nigel Horton, now living in Toulouse, wiil be available for all of England's internationals this season. I understand that he will also be available for the national trial on January 7 and probably for the climax of the inter-divisional champlonship in mid-December. Because there are doubts about Because there are doubts about Roger Utiley's firmess, this comes as excellent news. It looks as if Horton, with his Sunday commit-

ment to Toulouse in the French club championship, could be in for some hard and far-ranging weekends. weekends.

Now that what one might call extra curricular activities such as England Under-23 v France, an England XV v the United States, and the Chairman's game on Wedand the Chairman's game on Wednesday are competed, the selectors
have confirmation of something
they really knew already—that
England (though with inertiable
reservations about the No 8 position) have strength and depth at
forward. The eventual shape of
things behind the scrummage must

depend on the type of game they intend to play. Whatever else, it will surely make sense to pick half-backs canable of keeping the ball accurately in front of the markpack.
The latest combination to be looked at was that of Steve Lewis, looked at was that of Steve Lewis, of Ebbw Vale, and Michael Burke, of Waterloo, on Wednesday evening in Paris. As they had never met until stepping on the aircraft, and as Lewis had never played before behind Rafter, Mantell and Shipsides at loose forward, he came pretty well out of his examination and surely should have booked himself another appearance in one of the inter-regional games in December. The length and speed of his service are handy qualities, and,

service are handy qualities, and, if it was not always on target in Paris, it almost always was put in front of his partner, or the inside

opening as well as the pace, elusiveness and wit to exploit one. These abilities were apparent in his Oxford days, as well as that of kicking goals, and it is not surprising that after his experience with Ebbw Vale, his garranow looks more mature and disciplined. One would want to see how he rearts in less favourable how he reacts in less favourable circumstances than those he found in front of him in Paris

in frost of him in Paris

Burke, an ourstanding centre
with the triumphant England 19
group side last season, has been
winning some golden opinions as
Waterloo's stand-off this season,
but in Paris this week, though
some of his handling was supero,
he looked as if he was playing out
of his best position. He is a befty
lad and not on that evidence,
quite nimble enough, or quite
fiexible enough under pressure to
look a really class stand-off half look a really class stand-off half in the making. He is in no doubt that centre is his best position, and that, one supposes, is where he may be playing for his country

in a year or two.

Michael Rafter's performance against Paris University Club underlined all the reasons why he was an integral part of England's forward effort last season. If the worst happens, and England have to do without Utiley it is possible that when they play their first international against France in Paris (better in January than in the spring!) their flank forwards will be Rafter and Neary, and their number eight, Peter Dixon. A lot may depend on the progress made as a number eight by Mantell but the versatile and knowledgeable. Dixon will, I fancy, be in the selectors' minds as their number eight. It is a pity that a further injury

It is a pity that a further injuly to Charles Kent prevented the selectors from appraising in Paris and interesting centre partnership with Paul Dodge. Dodge and Nigo-French are birds of a feather played together against the United States and Paris University Clubit might be instructive to see what the finesse of one or the other could do alongside the strength of Kent, but that now is something Paris, it almost always was put in Kem, but that now is something front of his partner, or the inside that presumably must wait until centre. He has a good eye for an the trial.

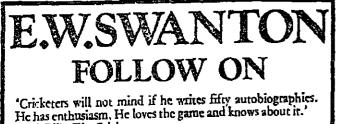
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Rifle shooting

Golf



Ludlow 1,45 (1,47) SHROPSHIRE HURDLE (Div 1: Novices, 3-y-o: 6272: 2m 1f) Davestry Sealink, b f, by ScappioDJB (Mrs R. Smith., 10-7
DJB (Mrs R. 2.13 (2.19) ASHFORD STEEPLECHASE Novices. 6-5-0: C417: 2m: Sainty Perchase, b h, by Welsh Saint-Shepping Wise (Ld Harr-ington), 11-7 B. R. Davies (8-1) 1

Sandown Park selections

Sunrise Hill, J. King (5-2) 2 Rallway City G. Thorner (2-1 fav. 3 Railway City G. Thorner (2-1 fav. 3

ALSO RAN: 11-3 Church Newton (4th). 16-1 Verona Brandy (p), 20-1
Master Dandy (s), 40-1 Kite, 50-1
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At Windscale, the amateurs shine in the battle of the legal giants

Mr Justice Parker, presiding as the perimeter of the lakes' inspector over the Windscale national park is an offensive inquiry into the building of a use of land. At the very least, nuclear reprocessing plant, sees inevitable criticism ahead for the recommendations that will eventually emerge from his tribunal. Yet he seems to accept the situation with remarkable cheerfulness, which might be ettributed to the fact that this marathon enters its final week on Monday.

The hearing has cost over £2m, and the 3,000,000 words of evidence will not be the end of the affair.

At least three journalists covering the proceedings have proposals in the in-trays of publishers for a book to follow quickly on the final report. At least one major television docu-mentary of 75 minutes duration is in preparation with actors playing the roles of presiding judge and the main QCs and

others represented.

Academics from Britain and the United States bave also moved in to make their sociolocical survey of the adequacy of this forum for reaching decisions of such immense national and international importance.

One thing is certain: there are few occasions in which such are rew occasions in which such a concentration of high-powered devocates has enjoyed debate. By any standard, the cast is im-pressive. Lord Silsoe. QC. and Mr Ian Glidewell, QC, repre-senting British Nuclear Fuels and Cumbria County Council respectively lead for the applirants. On the opposition benches are Mr Raymond Kidwell, QC, for Friends of the Earth, Sir George Dobry, QC, for the Isle of Man, Mr David Widdicombe, QC, for the Windscale appeal, Sir Frank Layfield, QC, for the Town and Country Planning

An elaborate

Even at their best they have not outshone some of the lay advocates, such as Dr Brian Wynne, for Network for Nuclear Concern, Mr Peter Taylor, for the Political Ecology research group, and the anti-motorway campaigner Mr John Tyme, here leading for the Society

Environment Improvement Final submissions started this week with the main opponents' objections for the building of the first of a new type of plant at Windscale known as Thorp (Thermal Oxide Reprocessing lant) to take spent fuel from nuclear reactors in Japan and elsewhere. The purpose is to separate reusable uranium, plutonium and highly active

was e products.

The objectors have assembled elaborate and multifaced case against the pro-ject. Friends of the Earth's argument calling for a deferment of 10 years on a decision, turns on technical and economic issues to demonstrate that a gamut of risks from the spread of nuclear weapons material to devastating con-tanunation of the environment would best be averted by pro-hibiting this type of repro-

The Isle of Man would prefer nor to have such a close neighbour on the Cumbria coast dis-charging into the Irish Sea, and

the Isle of Man would like the levels of radioactive waste discharge into the sea they share west Cumbria to be

Among several hats worn by Mr David Widdicombe is one on behalf of justice, under which he has raised issues about the inevitable infringement on civil liberties from the strinsecurity measures that be necessary if the would nuclear energy industry is allowed to evolve along certain paths, making it a clear target for the terrorist.

The Town and Country Planning Association, with an incredible range of eminent and qualified witnesses on energy resources and planning matters, embraced the complex issues of radiobiology among its submissions. They questioned some accepted views about the risks to health from very tiny doses of radiation and the gaps in knowledge about the long term genetic hazard of radioactive materials.

No complaints

Questions have already been raised in The Times and else-where about the suitability of a hearing established under local planning inquiry statutes for a public examination of such awesome issues. A general observation by Mr Kidwell in his final submission emphasized the need for a close scrutiny of this issue. He said Friends of the Earth " are not complaining either about lack of funds or lack of opportunity to present our case. The public responded well to our appeal for funds.
"We had to cut costs. We

had to cut corners, and we did everything on the cheap, and we were assisted our witnesses appearing without charge, but this time we have succeeded in running the course. Whether we could ever do it again would depend on the renewed goodwill of the public. If we win we may, one hopes, never be called on to do it again. Sanity may prevail on nuclear policy, but in any further inquiry of this sort the danger that the opposition and the objection will not be fairly put must be faced on the basis of our experience where we have successfully but narrowly succeeded in maintaining an Imost continued presence at this inquiry."

Mr Kidwell believed that his

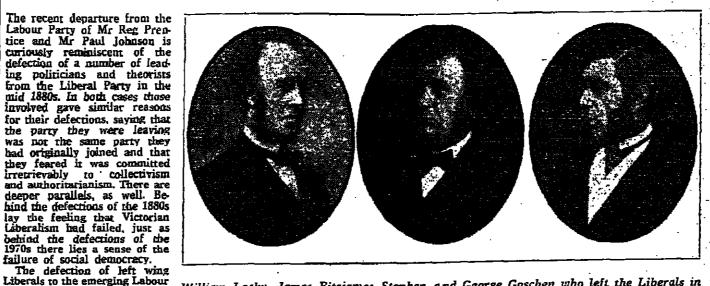
moderate request for a 10-year course of weakness. He said that it would be a courageous decision against those who misht say that to spend millions of pounds on a public inquiry that has produced millions of words of evidence and argument needed a more clear cut decision.

response Mr Justice r said: "We are bound to be castigated anyhow." That Judicial "we" included his two assessors, Sir Frederick Warner and Sir Edward Pochin.

Pearce Wright

Is history repeating itself with the departure of Labour Party faithfuls?

Gladstone, too, had problems with defectors as the old Liberal Party waned



William Lecky, James Fitzjames Stephen and George Goschen who left the Liberals in 1886 . . . not only had the party changed, it had become too left wing . . .

Apart from the maverick and opportunist Chamberlain, and the Whigs led by Hartington, it was predominantly intellect-uals who quit the Liberals over Home Rule. Among those who defected in 1886 were Edward Dicey, the great constitutional theorist. James Fitzjames Stephen, the lawyer, William Lecky, the historian, and George Goschen, the politician

and economist.

The common theme of those who left the Liberal Party in 1886 was that the party had changed significantly since they had joined it twenty years or so earlier. They deployed especially the way the old libertarian economic principles of laissez-faire had been given up

anarchic conservatism in the same period, spoke for them when he complained in his book Man versus the State, pub-lished in 1884, "Most of those who now pass as Liberals are Tories of a new school. They have lost sight of the truth that in past times Liberalism habitu-

dom versus state coercion."

The intellectuals who left the Liberal Party in the mid-1880s followed Spencer in adopting a position of extreme individual ism and opposition to all forms of state intervention. Working through such organizations as

chise had led to collectivist and interventionist policies. Herbert convenient and appealing philospencer, who himself passed from Gladstonian Liberalism to property owners worried about the rise of syndicalism and socialism among the working class. They created a new ideological conservatism.

Behind this defection from the Liberals in the mid 1880s

lay a feeling not just that the party had changed and become more left-wing, but that Liberalism itself had somehow failed. It had rested on the belief that, with freedom, the mass of the population would adhere to the great Liberal values of self-help, individual responsibility and the liberated masses seemed rather

that "Levich's activities in the field of science really ceased five years ago "—five years ago being the time when he applied

to emigrate, and was thereafter

prevented from undertaking his

scientific activities. And the lies

his actual scientific creativity stopped even before that. His last

independent work came out eight years ago. Actually he was placing his name on scientific publications

Nor does Boris Tanolin besi-

tate to concoct lies about Pro-

fessor Levich's more remote

past to further the campaign to blacken his present reputation: With a light heart he discarded, while still at the beginning of his scientific road, his work with another world-famous scientist.

only as a co-author.

own self-interest. The hope and trust involved in the great Liberal experiment appeared to have been misplaced. A mood pessimism gripped Britain in the 1880s in which the faith in progress which had sustained Victorian Liberalism was abandoned and turned into cynical

The outcome of the defec-tions from the Liberal Party to both right and left at the turn of the last century was, of course, a major realignment in British politics. Against a back. 1890s and 1900s at their leaders' ground of economic decline continuing adherence to Gladand social upheavel, there was tomian principles of laissera polarization of parties with aviour. The appeal of post-Party came to stand for faire and to re-with property. and to represent those property. The Labour-Party grew up as the party of the working classes and the proponent of socialism. Herelism, as C. F. G. Masterman gloomily observed, was accordingly "crushed between the upper and nether mills privilege and revolt.

winessing the beginnings of a similar process of political realignment and polarization today? The parallels with the situation in the 1880s are certainly striking. Mr Prentice says he has left the Labour tainly striking. Mr Prentice amonument to social democracy says he has left the Labour squeezed between the mighty Party because of its communing forces of Marxism on the left drift to the left, its capitalation and extreme laissez-faire on the to extremists and sectional right. to extremists and sectional interests, and its ill-conceived

to demand from it support and the United Kingdom. These are assistance, and to pursue their exactly the same reasons given At the same time, there are

of intense disillusionment and signs of a growing movement pessimism gripped Britain in among the left of the Labour Farry to break with the accial democratic tradition and create a properly socialist party. The increasing protest by left wingers against the Labour leadership's acceptance of the mixed economy is strongly reminiscent of the mounting frustration among progressive and radical Liberals in the 1890s and 1900s at their leaders'

> Britain in 1977 is in the sa mood of pessimism and distifusion that it was at the end of democracy has failed much as Inheralism has failed, and farmany of the same reasons. It is criticized from the left for failing fundamentally to after the distribution of wealth and power in our society and for preserving inequalities and privileges. It is castigated from the right for enoding personal liberty and increasing the power and scope of the state. The Labous Party may yet go the way of the ninescenth cen-tury Liberal Party and find itself a small and insignificant

Bernard Levin

A giant of science and a hack called Boris

On Wednesday, I brought up to date the story of Professor Benjamin Levich, a Soviet scientist of the utmost renown, regarded by experts as "the creator of Physico-Chemical Hydrodynamics". But there is one further strand that has to be woven into the story, because although it does not in itself advance our understand-ing of Professor Levich, his work or his plight, it is so extraordinarily and horribly revealing of the minds of his persecutors that if nothing else were to be learnt from what has happened to him, he would not have suffered altogether in

Party in the early part of this century is well known. What is

less well known, however, is the considerable exodus from the Liberal Party some years earlier of those who felt the party had advanced too far along the road of democracy

and socialism. Frustration built up among conservative Liberals

during the early 1880s when Gladstone's Government passed measures which seemed in con-

flict with the sacred Liberal tenets of laissez-faire and non-

interference by the State. It came to a head over Gladstone's Home Rule proposals for Ireland in 1886, which appeared

at one stroke to interfere with

property rights and the normal freedom of contract between

landlord and tenant, to capitu-late to the pressure of Irish

nationalist extremists, and break up the unity of United Kingdom.

After the Oxford scientific conference held in the summer birthday and to honour his work, an article about him appeared in the Soviet Literary Gazette, a paper of which it can perhaps be said that no more entirely degraded periodical exists in the world, and of whose editor and writers it may be added that they have estab-lished standards of journalistic baseness that have never been equalled and are most unlikely ever to be surpassed.

The Literary Gazette was given the task of trying to dis-credit the Oxford conference and to blacken the name and reputation of Professor Levich. The hack assigned to the task is called Boris Tanolin. Naturally, he said that the conference was designed as a "political provocation" and "an organized anti-Soviet action of world-wide dimensions". Just as naturally, he was therefore obliged to omit all mention of any of the sub-

jects discussed at the conference, lest his readers should discover that nothing whatever was said there that was not strictly confined to scientific matters. This difficulty Mr Tanokin resolves by turning quickly from the subject of the conference to that of Professor Levich himself. And here we can see before us one of the most fundamental distinctions between totalitarian societies and free ones. Tanolin's job is to defame the professor. Obviously, he runs no risk of an action for libel. But he has a much more important, though subtler, protection for his blackguardry. He does not need to confine himself to dis-torting the truth, to dealing in to spreading smears and hints. He can, and does, simply lie about the career, conduct and fate of Professor Levich, because he knows that nowhere in the Literary Gazette itself, or in any other Soviet paper or journal, whether large or small, specialist or general, will any letter or statement or article or report of any kind be permitted to appear in con-tradiction or correction of his falsehoods. No exposé of his methods will be published or

will hear any action brought against him. Here we see the essence of totalitarianism at work; indeed, the circumstances almost provide a definition of it. For its stamped upon it by the fact that in such societies the weight of the state (which means, in

broadcast in any form, no Press Council will examine a com-

plaint against him, no court

totalitarianism, the weight of every aspect of life) is thrown against the victims. There are abuses in free countries; and the authorities frequently try to conceal them. But the state machinery in free countries can be moved on behalf of the victims of injustice and oppression and built into the innermost workings of it is the principle of ultimate answerability. In free country, men may publish and broadcast matter hostile to those who have charge of the country's destinies; and they in turn cannot ignore it forever. In the Soviet Union and the other tyrannies of the world, the tyrants are safe from both the embarrassment of public criticism and the necessity of

Thus armed and protected, Mr Tanolin can quote a simi larly obedient Soviet scientist as saving that, after Professor I evich was refused permission to emigrate in 1972, "he could have pursued his scientific work in the . . . Institute of Electro-

to the Literary Gazette, but these will not, of course, be published or even acknowledged.) Similarly, protected by the

fact that his readers will never learn the truth, Tanolin can say

but there is no way that any coviet reader of the Literary Gazette who does not already know that, or who cannot guess it, can ever find out. Both Professor Levich himself and Professor Brian Spalding of Imperial College—one of the chief organizers of the Oxford conference-have sent replies

L. D. Landau ... taking with him quite a few of his former teacher's creative ideas and later referring to him with very little respect. And Tanolin does not stop there; he goes on to accuse Professor Levich of "treason", and to say that ... his energy finds its outlet ... in his correspondence with circles hostile to our country as well as with anti-Soviet press-

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It is difficult to convey in short excerpts the full rancid flavour of the articles; but to

read the reply sent to the Literary Gazette "for favour of publication" a few weeks ago by Professor Levich is to be reminded of the heights to which the love and pursuit of scientific truth can take the best of science's servants. Its dignity, honesty and moderation shine through the words; in its contrast to the Streicher-like illiteracy and mendacity of the Tanolin article it is Hyperion to a satyr:

Among other slanderous concoctions, the article points out that I am allegedly the author of statements besoirching my fatherland published in the West". It is well known that any view not holding the accepted doctrine can be, if it is wished, proclaimed to be a calumny against this country with all the ensuing consequences. The gentile reason for the fury seems to be the high-honour congennine reason for the fury
seems to be the high honour conferred on me by the holding of
an International Scientific Conference at Oxford University, on
the occasion of my 60th birthday. This conference is proclaimed
to be "a badly snelling venture" and a "political provocation" ... Among other inven-Landau, stole some of his creative ideas and later memioned him " with little respect." In reality all my life I worshipped my teacher as a scientist and a personality. I am proud to be his pupil and, while he lived, he favoured me with his personal friendship.

Then Professor Levich moves. Tanolin and his masters stand for, and describes the conse-quences for those who fall under their displeasure for preferring

truth to their falsehoods: for nearly six years, since I put moral principles and con-victions above wellbeing in this country, I have been deprived of the apportunity to pursue a creative and normal life. . I have been ostracized by colleagues my scientific articles, and a new book of mine, have not been issued in any Soviet editions, my name has been deliberately deleted from . . scientific publica-tions . . As to my reputation, I believe it is somewhat late to

No; but it will not be for want of trying. Soon after the article in the Literary Gazette appeared, Professor Levich was telephoned from the paper. He was told "if noise is raised in the West because of the article call in which Professor Levich was told depending on year reasonable behaviour, such action is so far pestponed. No doubt the two columns [have devoted to the fare of

Professor Levich this week come under the heading of noise in the West But the professor has long since passed beyond fear of reprisals from the Sovier authorities, knowing that even if they manure him in a concentration camp he will be more free behind the barbed wire than his persecutors be hind their own forebeads. The honorary degree he received yesterday from Imperial College therefore marks a particularly fitting occasion to reflect on the remarkable truth that Soviet society has produced, and consociety has produced, and continues to produce, men as up the make right as Professor. Benjamin the make the child Tanolin. All societies, of course, from a produce such extremes in their people. What makes Soviet thice Communism unique is that all its Tanolins are the honoured treasures of the state, and all the Leviches its suffering

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Another happy ending-after 23 centuries

A famous lost play of antiquity has been rediscovered, inevit-ably among the Oxyrhynchus papyri, almost as inevitably by Professor Eric Turner, the great papyrologist. It is the Misoumenos (The Hated One) of Menander, one of the most popular and dramatic plays of the New Comedy. Until now, we had only tan-

relizing remains preserved on fragments of papyrus and in quotations of gramatical interest or sententious value by other authors. Earlier this month, Professor Turner struck gold by discovering almost indecipherable fragments that have yielded the first 100 lines of the play, and explained what it is all about.

As a consequence, other pieces of the jig-saw have been identified and fallen into place, end the Misaumenos can be scholarship from the oblivion of the Dark Age. Processor Turner says: "I have never seen such a filthy piece of papyrus. I think it had been put aside because it was so

The scene opens on a night of thunder and lightning, Enter a soldier who is locked out of his own house. He has cap-tured a girl in the wars on



disclose the rest of the smash hit that had them rolling in the wedges in Arhens 23 centuries ago at a special meeting at the Institute of Classical Studies next week. It is giving away no secrets to say that it has a happy ending. It also crowns a distinguished career with a wreath of undying laurel.

Cyprus, and installed her as his mistress. She will have nothing to do with him because she believes, erroneously, that he killed her brother.

Like Pasha Selim in Die Entführung aus dem Serail, he is too much of a gentleman to force his attentions on his in the control of the week is dischologists, who are be advertised for by the Jar, at the Hotel Intercontinue autochokes? Not so; they is too much of a gentleman to force his attentions on his fluorescent light tubes. Neologism of the week is Globologists, who are being advertised for by the Jargonous at the Hotel Intercontinental.
Globetrotters? Gluttons for artichokes? Not so; they fit

No one's victory at the LSE

This is the story of Bernard Levin and the straw man. Unlike many other tales circulating about Mr Levin-and certainly unlike the tales he tells himself-it is not apocry-

In 1948, he was a student at the London School of Economics. The newly formed Labour Society was trying to ensure that only its own approved candidates got elected to the students' union council. Mr Levin disliked the caucus system and decided to

expose it. He created a nonperson called Harvey Thomp-son and, though not himself a Labour Society member, nomi-nated Harvey as a Labour Society man for election to the council. Union rules said

nominators had to place on the notice board details and a photograph of their candidate and, before the election, the candidate had to attend a meeting of the union. Mr Levin said Harvey played for the LSE table tennis club,

which explained the blurred action photograph. As for the meeting, Mr Levin said Harvey had flu and could not attend. Harvey was duly elected. At the next council meeting. Mr Levin wheeled him. on to the platform. By now. Harvey had become a man of straw, every bit as good as the one who went to Oz.

Mr Levin had made his point and there were no ill-feelings. This is one of the stories that John Watkins, professor of philosophy at the LSE and himself a former student there, tells in his book My LSE (Rob-

Puffed up with pride over pastry

No cordon bleu, I ventured with trepidation into the world of haute cuisine yesterday. I emerged, if not exactly a Charrier, then at least confident that I could tackle puff pastry with reasonable success. The secret.

in the ingredients but in the way you prevent the dough from becoming two elastic.

For this information, I am indebted to the Ecole de Cuisine La Varence in Paris and to the lady who directs it. Not only does she do that, but she also founded the school. And, as it offers a complete programme in offers a complete programme in classic French cooking, you would rightly suppose that she is French.

I must tell you, lies not so much in the ingredients but in the

She is nothing of the sort. Anne Willan is a Yorkshire lass. with an MA in economics from Cambridge University.

Delicious pick-up in park It is common knowledge that journalists subsist on free lunches, but there was some-

thing different about the gratuitous feast enjoyed by a colleague this week. He picked it up, literally, in Hyde Park. It took the form of 211b of edible fungi, including one mushroom, a pretty selection of lawyers' wigs which had survived the trampling of the common berd and proved delicious stewed in milk, and several fine

specimens of blewits, a fungus

so sought after that they used

to pay real money for it in

demonstration in London yester-

day, but she need not have bothered because she left it to Albert Jorant, a pastry cook at the Paris school to show us how to make both puff pastry and a Gateau Pithiviers. He did it, of course, under her. supervision. As for Mrs Willan, she was

not visiting London just to show us how puff pastry is the new iand is the country that made. She was helping to which is a big let-down. The House show us how puff pastry is launch her new book Great Cooks and Their Recipes (Elm to indicate to gullible reallets aly

The days of the toaxers are not and por quite over. A friend in Majorca i they a has sent me a cutting from the English language newspaper tonjunct published in Paima containing a lary en interview with the rules of lary en "Wikingland"—" Prince Pars House Reinold I and his Minister of which Foreign Affairs, Baron Bruck, Mressi, mann and a picture shows the his new country's emblem; a life tage fro rampant on a shield, the wroth the bureat and a cockleshell. and a cockleshell.

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Day of the knickerbockers' glory

celebrations next year, the Cyclists' Touring Club is looking for its oldest active member. So far, the bonours seem to belong to Miss Ivy Donald-son, aged 90, of Bedford, whostill pedals to the shops and on the embankment alongside the Great Ouse.

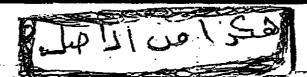
In the current number of Cycletouring, the club's magazine, she gives an account of her three-week cycling tour of France, Switzerland, Leichtenstein, Austria and northern Italy in 1929, involving climbs over the Stelvio, Furka and

Brenner passes.

There is a photograph of her.

ing how eminently practical the is pe garb was for cycling. We saw in take a skirt with us on the in Continent, she says, because himself you went into churches the would were not allowed to go me would knickerbockers.

From America, the club has this news of the top cycles w there: "The President class" there: The President claims on be a cyclist, but under the present conditions and plures it did it is restricted in his movement it did it is restricted in his movement it did as cut and had an accident require has cut dental treatment—the misball in he claims, being due to hatter Muser tion in riding and himself too in riding and himself to sewer grating instead of the yearing the positive claims. rancing the positive claims of cycling, he is stressing of dangers of careless riding



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A DISTANT GOAL

Mr Roy Jenkins's decision, as union would also force a corres-President of the European Compondingly buge increase of mission, to launch a personal initiative in favour of European monetary union is unlikely to be greeted with complete enthusiasm either within the Commission itself or by all memher governments of the Commu-The memory is still too raw of repeated attempts and failures since the 1960s to bring the currencies of the EEC into a fixed, or at least closer and more stable, relationship to each other. Indeed, given the evident lack of enthusiasm in so many quarters and the lack of preparation for such an initiative, it is somewhat surprising that Mr Jenkins should have attached himself so firmly and personally to the

Mindful of past failures, Mr

lenkins is circumspect in the way in which he is now restating the objective. He is not putting forward specific proposals, but is calling for a debate. His view of the way forward has no hard and fast timetable. He is not suggesting specific immediate measures, like the central coordination of the fiscal and monetary policies of member governments, or the relinking of their respective currencies.

Proponents of earlier experiments within the EEC tended to the view that the linking of currencies would thereafter force member member governments into coordinated and joint policies in order to sustain the decision once made. One school further thought that since common credit and exchange rate policies would force massive regional, industrial and social policies and programmes on the Community, the first step towards a monetary

Of all the undesirable side-effects

stemming from routine whoop-

ing-cough vaccination, not the

= least serious is now seen to be

the public apprehension that

of whooping cough vaccine has

many parents have been fright-

ened into rejecting immunization

against quite different diseases,

as well as whooping cough.

This summer there were fears

of an epidemic of polio in a

population of children worse

for many years. The same danger will exist next summer

The fear of just such a public

reaction was lively in the Department of Health when the

Ombudsman criticized yesterday.

Unfortunately, the danger of

arousing public alarm with warn-

ings was seen as greater than

that of seeming complacent about

rare but tragic adverse medical

reactions to the vaccine. As

living standards have improved

the disease, the case for vaccina-

tion as a matter of course has

become less strong. In some social circumstances and with

proper regard to the warning

signs that make it inadvisable

for certain children, vaccination

is still a worth while and accept-

ably safe precaution. The Depart-

ment's advice to doctors, even

and reduced the incidence of

protected against it than any

- too.

ield.

-- been a matter of loud debate,

has ensued regarding vaccina-

tion in general. Since the safety

budgetary and political power at the centre of the Community. Such expectations, however,

were never realistic, either m practical or in political terms. For they put the cart before the horse. Common currencies and monetary policies for the member countries of the EEC are only possible over any period longer than a few months if there has been a marked growing together of the underlying economies themselves. Any attempt to force the pace towards monetary union, as was done in the years after the 1969 EEC summit meeting at The Hague, simply wastes precious political capital and Community good will upon a venture which is bound to fail.

Mr Jeokins may argue that his latest formulation of the ideal has fully taken account of this aspect. His view is that the nations of the Community should begin to harmonize the development of their economies within an agreed longer-term strategy of moving towards monetary union itself. To that extent he is being substantially more realistic than some of those who have gone before.

But it is still questionable whether the Community would be right to place such an initiative at the top of its agenda in the coming years. The very idea of a common currency for the whole of Europe does indeed imply a massive central budget finance the regional and industrial policy that would be needed to support the weak areas, unable to stand the strain within a single monetary union.

when referring to the risks, has

taken too little account of the

changing balance of advantage.

permanent brain damage has

been known for many years.

though it is so remote that the

exact danger is still in dispute

(it is almost impossible to say

for certain that a particular

child's sufferings are caused by

the vaccine). The Ombudsman's

criticism is not that the Depart-

ment ignored the risk in its

communications with doctors-

clearly it did not—but that it failed until recently to make the

position sufficiently clear to the

patient (or generally, in this

context, to the parents of the patient). It is claimed that more

should have been done to publicize the risks and the signs

that should lead them to consult

man's sphere: he has no

competence to question the

clinical judgment of doctors, as

he often affirms. But at the

point where he criticizes the

Department, the line between

administration and clinical responsibility is not entirely

clear. The Department has a

responsibility to make general

policies about medical practice,

which it is the jealously-guarded

privilege of doctors to disregard,

according to their assessment of

each patient's particular needs.

Medicine today is so large and

the watercolours. The trustees of

Administration is the Ombuds-

The risk of convulsions and

A SETBACK IN HEALTH EDUCATION

Whatever may happen to the Common Agricultural Policy in the coming years, there seems little likelihood that the member governments of the Community would be willing to contemplate the creation of a similar fund of substantially larger proportions

for such a centralized purpose. Further, the idea of moving steadily but strongly in the direction of monetary union runs clean counter to present hopes of enlarging the Community by including other Mediterranean countries. The problems of integrating economies at such dif-ferent stages of industrial development will be hard enough. To add the requirement that the various negotiations should be convarious ducted within the context of a Community which was also moving deliberately towards a common currency would make

them virtually impossible,

Mr Jenkins is likely to find little support for his initiative from political parties in this country. The Prime Minister in his recent letter to the Labour Party on Europe made it clear that the Government's concept of European development is very different. Even those, however, with a more dynamic view of the furure of Europe are likely to conclude that enlargement is a more fruitful avenue of progress in the immediate future than the resurrection of the goal of monetary union. There is no conflict between the British monetary policies needed for monetary union and those needed for stabilization. What is not clear is that monetary union, as an aspiration, will make it

Yours faithfully,

rapidly-changing that no practi-

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easier to pursue them.

tioner could keep sight of the needs of good practice without central collation of evidence and guidance. Doctors today expect it, and harm is done if their trust is forfeited

Department's advocacy of rountine whooping cough vaccination was too indiscriminate and reacted, like patients. becoming indiscriminately hostile to the procedure). But the Department has also

(some, for instance, saw that the

sought to influence the public over the doctor's head. It issued encouragements to seek immunization, but until recently avoided warnings. They might raise a panic, and they might be resented as trespassing upon the relationship between doctor and patient. It is this imbalance that the Ombudsman censures. The Department has partly been caught out by a change in public attitudes. More and more the desirability is recognized of making patients well informed about what is being done to them; at the same time the demand for information has

increased. It is a welcome trend, though not all patients are capable of making fully informed choices about their treatment. Public bodies certainly have a role to play in the process of education, but the main responsibility when a particular treatment for a particular patient is in question must be the doctor himself.

THE BATTLE OF TURNER'S BEOUEST

a doctor.

The Tate has made a spirited counter-attack in the battle being fought over the body of he Turner Bequest. The troops of Somerset House, armed as hey are with the ordnance of _ady Birk, parliamentary underecretary of state in the Departnent of the Environment, still lave hard pounding ahead of hem if they are to possess the

The conjunction of the Turner sicentenary exhibition in Burlngton House in the winter of 974-75, which displayed in a nost impressive way the splenlour of his art, and the mergence from long years of rivate bureaucratic occupation f the old Royal Academy rooms. n Somerset House generated a lemand that Turner and omerset House be permanently nited. The match seemed so England's bviously right: reatest painter would be seen 1 London's most elegant and istoric gallery; the experience nat hundreds of thousands had een enjoying at the centenary xhibition would be placed on ap; Turner's testamentary rishes would at last be respected or would they ?--that argument, hich is peripheral, is also (conclusive); the thousands of urners in the attics of the ritish Museum and vaults of Je Tate would be neglected no mger; honour would at last be one to a native genius, and a ublic use be found worthy of ir William Chambers's Fine

.ooms. A large part of that case, not I. of it, dissolves under the alous scrutiny of the Tate, hich has custody of almost all ne oils in the bequest, the ritish Museum having charge of

the Tate point out that exhibition space at Somerset House would actually be less than the space already given to Turner a the Tate, and far less than the Tate will be able to give when it can, shortly, use the rooms of the evacuated Military Hospital next door. There would be no question therefore of Somerset House doing more acequately for Turner what the Tate already does. Unless the move were to cause less of Turner to be seen than can be

seen now, the Tate would have to continue to give a good deal space to him. In that case, as the trustees point out, the effect of the change would not be to concentrate the Turner bequest but to disperse it

The trustees also make much of the larger fire risk at Somerset House. Some think they exaggerate the importance of that objection Sir Hugh Casson in his report to the Department saw a need to temper scholarship with common sense and opined that both buildings and artifacts [which are there to be enjoyed not worshipped must be allowed to live a little dangerously". Whatever judgment is made of the fire risk and therefore of the suitability of Somerset House as a permanent repository of Turner's work, it could hardly be thought prudent to move the 20,000 watercolours there from the British Museum. Without them Somerset House could not become the Turner centre, the principal place for the care, conservation, study and appreciation of his work.

What it could become is the home of a changing exhibition of some of Turner's oils and watercolours, with memorabilia and other aids to veneration permanently on display. That would escape the most serious of the Tate's objections, and the idea has its attractions.

Yet the new gallery could not have the cream of the collection. Both the National Gallery and the Tate, which is the national gallery for the English school of painting, must be able to show, as they do, representative groups of Turners including examples of the highest quality. Nor must the claims of galleries elsewhere in the kingdom be overlooked. As for watercolours, their tendency to deteriorate under prolonged exposure to light, places a permanent limitation on the frequency with which the choicest of them can be dis-

A revolving exhibition at Somerset House would have plenty of material to draw on to make an interesting display. But visitors could not expect to have their breath taken away as happened at Burlington House (where many of the loveliest exhibits were from private or foreign public collections anyway), and some would with good reason prefer to see Turner hung among his peers and in his historical context at the National Gallery and the Tate. A Turner annexe of that kind would indeed put to worthy use the exhibition rooms at Somerset House, an important object in itself, but is it the best idea either for those rooms or for the display of Turner's art?

logarithm of the logarithm. Yours sincerely, DAVID DAVIES, Editor.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Victims of reverse discrimination

From Miss S. R. Dedhur Sir, The problem of reverse discrimination (your leader October 26) centres on the question of rights and obligations. The justification for reversely discriminatory policies relies on an acceptance of the view that, in the past, unfair discrimination has been practised against certain groups, that they now have a right to expect amends to be made, and that an obligation exists to ensure that amends are made in order that they may achieve equality of status and opportunities within the community. We now encounter the question: on whom does this obligation rest? Presumably, since the community has previously been unfair to these groups, it is the community, or State, who must now make amends.

From the words "groups", "community" and "State", we can see that the problem is couched in terms of the greatest generality, and it is for this reason that a position favouring reverse dis-crimination is logically untenable. In practice, where a white man is passed over in favour of a black woman of lower theoretical eligibility for a job or university place, it is not the State, but the rejected applicant who is "making amends" to an individual who might or might not have suffered from lesser opportunities than be in the past. The obligation, however, rests not on this applicant, but on the State. Furthermore, it is to the group from which the favoured applicant comes and not to the applicant herself that the obligation is owed.

The fundamental paradox of reverse discrimination is that while its justification rests on a certain view of group rights and mass obligations, its practice can depend only on individual cases and thus bypasses group rights and obligations. It is indeed doubtful whether or not such concepts actually have any real and practical meaning at all. By all means, let the State make amends, but let it do so through such mass actions as education programmes and not by forcing individuals to hear the burden of communal responsibility.

S. R. DEDHAR. 34 Inglemere Road, Forest Hill, SE23.

South African repression

From Mr Geoffrey Pattie, MP (or Chertsey and Walton (Conservative) Sir, Mr Geoffrey Chandler (letters, October 25) was fortunate in that he was at least able to meet Dr Beyers Naude and Mr Percy Qoboza whereas, on my recent visit, found that both men had been restricted by Government action before my appointments with them had taken place.

The October 19 clamp down produced a widespread sense of shock and bewilderment which observed at first hand. Non-white South Africans were grimly confirmed in their assessments of the ist Government's determination to hang on at all costs, whereas whites with whom I talked were close to despair.

The restrictive measures should be looked at under three headings. The move against The World and its editor is presumably a pre-emptive strike to muzzle black reaction when the contents of the report on Steve Biko's death are made known. Secondly, the banning of the 18 organizations aims to remove most of the moderate black leaders from

he scene. For example, seven members of the Sowero Committee of Ten have been detained and while no one would suggest that the views of the committee were particularly palatable to the South African Government they did at least represent a point of contact called into being after the riots last year between Government and the dis-affected black community in Soweto. If the aim of the South African Government is to drive opposition underground and into extremist hands then they are bang on target. Thirdly, the banning of Donald Woods, the editor of the East Lon-don Daily Disnatch means that South Africa fails the acid test of press freedom. Woods pulled no punches in his criticism of government admittedly, but only a government with an over-developed paranoia would seek to silence him. Yours faithfully. GEOFFREY PATTIE, House of Commons.

BBC film of Grunwick

From Lord Orr-Ewing

Sir, I find the reply (October 24) by the Editor of the BBC programme Tonight to Mr George Ward revealing. We had the staged drama of a silhoverte and superimposed voice on the grounds that these employees, representing a small minority, were frightened of the

pickers and/or the management. What was revealing was that films had also been taken of the the majority views of the workers who were prepared to appear on television, give their names and he questioned. The Editor cut out these interviews because in his judgment "these were not remorkable". Many would feel that after 14 months of harassment it would be of remarkable interest to see and hear these loyal and robust people, even if some were hesitant and shy. The Editor substituted a

reporter's summary. Surely this treatment stants the programme and makes millions of viewers believe that workers at Grunwick are intimidated. In so far as I can check, no shred of evidence has ever been produced to prove

Having produced one highly dramatized viewpoint, could not the contrary and majority viewpoint have been equally effectively filmed and shown? The BBC's obligation under their charter to produce balance would then have been better honoured.

Yours faithfully, IAN ORR-EWING. House of Lords. October 25.

Canon law on ordination of women

From the Bishop of London Sir, Canon C8(5) of the Canons of the Church of England forbids any minister not ordained in the Provinces of Canterbury, York, Ireland, Wales or Scotland to exer-cise a ministry in the Provinces of Canterbury and York without the permission of the Archbishop of

the Province in question. This Canon is based upon the Overseas and Other Clergy (Ministry and Ordination) Measure, passed by the Church Assembly as recently as 1967 to replace the Colonial Clergy Act of 1874. It therefore represents the considered judgment of the governing body of the Church of England.

If therefore one or other of the Archbishops declines under this anon and Measure to give permission to anyone, male or female, ordained abroad, to officiate in England, such a person is commirring an ecclesiastical offence if he or she so officiates, as is also anyone who facilitates such a ministry.

In view of the clear presumption the Ordinal that the priesthood male, the law would have to be changed before a woman could under any circumstances exercise riestly functions in this country. In answer to a question asked in the General Synod on November 8, 1976, the Secretary General, on behalf of the Archbishop of Canter-bury, reported that the House of Bishops had been advised that as the law stands a woman ordained abroad cannot lawfully be invited to officiate as a bishop or a priest in the Church of England, and that the Archbishop did not think it would be right to take any steps with regard to this matter ahead of further discussion of the main

Professor Lampe is incorrect in stating in his letter of October 26 that this is a decision of policy taken by the bishops. Rather it is a matter of obedience to the Law of England and Conon Law of the Church, It is therefore regrettable that he advocates the breaking of the law and defiance of the Oath of Canonical Obedience by which

every licensed clergyman is bound. Added to which, the course which he suggests would undoubtedly exacerbate an already delicate situation and make more difficult the task of those who want to find a peaceful outcome to a situation which could cause grave hurt to the Church if it is not handled wisely.

Yours sincerely. GERALD LONDIN. London House, 8 Barton Street. Westminster, SWL

From Mr Christopher Gilson Sir, Is it not a number for concern when our clergy, supposedly the upholders of truth and justice, decide to join trade unionists and others who seek to break the law of the land, in the interests of some greater (albeit personal) concept of what is right? Can society hope to continue to exist where obeying the law becomes optional?

In any democratic society there are agreed procedures for changing the law. It behoves us all to obey the law whilst remaining free to agicate to change any law which we regard as unjust. If any punishment is laid down then it must be accepted by those who freely break the law. In our society at present, all we see are clergy breaking the law of the Church, but expecting to retain their benefices—can we have a check list of any remaining laws which must not be broken, or is it now acceptable for the control of the contr able for us all to go our own way, pleading conscience when arrested and thus escaping the consequences of our actions? am, Sir, your obedient servant, CHRISTOPHER GILSON,

28 Cell Farm Avenue, Old Windsor, Windsor.

Agreed housing policies From Mr Nick Raynsford

Sir, Throughout most of the period since the end of the war debates on housing policy have tended to concentrate on the measures which were thought to be needed to overcome the country's severe housing problems. We may with hindsight, regret some of the particular avenues which were followed, such as the craze for high rise develop-ment and industrialized building systems, but nevertheless our concero was generally focused ensuring an adequate supply of housing to meet the needs of the population.

Now it would appear that The

Times has found a new criterion for assessing housing policies. Their effectiveness in reducing the numbers of homeless people, in stimulat-ing new house building and in accelerating the pitifully inadequate rate of improvement in much of our older housing stock will evidently no longer be an adequate basis for judgment, according to the editorial "Towards Agreed Housing Policies", October 24 Instead, be whether or not the policy carries bi-partisan support and forms the basis of a political consensus.

Who would believe, reading this editorial comment, that there now more homeless people in Britain than at any time since the end of the last war, and that the numbers have doubled in the last five years? Who would believe that there are 2,600,000 homes in Britain in need of major repairs or improve-ment, and that in the Government's own words "without effective measures we shall see the growth of a new generation of slums"? Yet apart from airing yet again the tired old spectre of a revived

private rented market—a chimera which is now widely recognized to be economically unrealistic, The Times had no positive suggestions at all to make for tackling Britain's continuing housing problems more effectively, let alone for instituting the sense of urgency and passion which Lord Goodman called for in his Dimbleby Lecture less than three years ago.

Instead The Times prefers to question the already severely restricted levels of public sector question investment in housing and to carp at public sector subsidies. Reading this editorial, who would suspect that, according to the projections prepared for the Government's Housing Policy Review, the largest increase in subsidy over the next decade will go to owner occupiers in tax relief on mortgages, while public sector housing investment is actually expected to be further The very real danger of the cur-

rent obsessive quest for the "Holy Grail" of consensus housing policies is that it is in practice leading towards ever increasing subsidies to people already reasonably housed, and who could afford to pay more for their accommodation, while denying the pecessary investment finance to provide for the homeless and the badly housed. Nothing could be more disastrous.

Instead there is an urgent need to concentrate attention on the extent of namet housing need Britain, and to set targets, as the Government has satisfailed to do in its Housing Policy Review, for meeting these needs. Yours faithfully,

NICK RAYNSFORD. Director, London Housing Aid Centre, 189a Old Brompton Road, SW5.

The Zinoviev letter From Dr Christopher Andrew

Sir, Messrs Chester, Fay and Young (October 25) are entitled to stick to the argument of their book, published in 1966, that the Zinoviev letter was a forgery. But their claim that there is "no new evidence" to challenge that contention is a remarkable one. They appear unaware of the new evidence con-tained in either Miss Sibyl Eyre Crowe's article in the Journal of Contemporary History of July, 1975 (cited in her letter of October 20) or my own article in the current issue of The Historical Journal (cited in The Times Higher Educa-tion Supplement of October 14).

The evidence now available shows inter alia that the interception of the Zinoviev letter was not, as has usually been supposed, an isolated event. It was only one of a stream of Soviet and Comintern documents (most of them genuine) intercepted by British and Indian intelligence during the 1920s. The letter of Sep-tember 15, 1924, was neither the

first nor the last Zinoviev letter to be intercepted. Furthermore, in the case of the letter of September, 1924, some fragments are now avai able of the "corroborative proofs" provided at the time by the intelligence services, as well as evidence which provides partial corroboration

of these "proofs I have argued elsewhere that this and other evidence which has come to light since 1966 does not prove the authenticity of the Zinoviev letter beyond doubt. But it requires more serious consideration than the simple denial of its existence advanced by Messrs Chester, Fay

and Young.
Though I doubt the conclusions of Mr Chester and his colleagues on the origins of the Zinoviev letter, they will see that I have followed in my article a number of their con-clusions on the use made of it. Yours faithfully, CHRISTOPHER ANDREW.

Fellow and Director of Studies, Corpus Christi College, Cambridge. October 25.

Recovering from the war

From Mr T. J. Legowski Sir, It is not a myth as R. Berthoud maintains (The Times, October 21), that West Germany greatly benefited from war destruction of its industrial plant. It is also misleading to compare in this connexion West Germany with Poland. West Germany's plant was replaced by modern factories built with the aid of Marshall's Plan and with Western investment capital, both of were, unfortunately, not available to Poland. Yours taithfully.

T. I. LEGOWSKI, 4148 Pfeffingen, Switzerland. October 22.

Tobacco substitutes From the Chairman of Gallaher Limited

Sir, I think the Minister, Mr Roland Moyle, is being accused unfairly.

He could not be expected to support the introduction of cigarettes which, although containing 25 per cent tobacco substitute, were in the low to middle tar brand and advertised implying that they offered an alternative to low tar

smoking. Indeed, I believe the main reason for the disappointing performance of substitutes was that the public were greatly confused about them. For this the tobacco industry must take a large part of the blame.

The clearest advice we are getting from medical authorities is that we should try to help smokers switch to a low tar brand. We should have used substitutes to this end only but they were used in some heavily publicised brands in a way that actually appeared to encourage smokers away from low tar smoking. It seems to me that this action put the Minister, Mr Roland Moyle, and other bodies like the HEC and ASH in a very difficult position. We cannot blame them for not fully supporting substitutes when they were being used in a way which might well confuse the medical advice in favour of low tar cigar-ettes. Professor Fletcher made this same point in his letter on October

Lord Winstanley mentioned only one substitute—NSM. There are of course two, NSM and Cytrel and my own company was unique in having tested both. For our first brands we used Cytrel but have also developed products with NSM.

Yours faithfully, A. W. H. STEWART-MOORE, Chairman. Gallaher Limited, 65 Kingsway, WC2.

Gas in a hijacked airliner

From Frojessor D. R. Laurence Sir, Your correspondent (October be a gas which sends people rapidly to sleep but which otherwise has no deleterious effect?" is putting forward an attractive proposition that has been made following previous major hijacks. The suggestion deserves an answer. It has also provided me with a useful examination question for medical students in pharmacology, which I shall com-plete by adding, "Discuss the tech-nical requirements of such a gas,

its delivery and its elimination ". I shall expect students' answers to range widely, for example the operating switch must be accessible unobtrusively when the aircraft is on the ground, but impossible to operate when airborne; the odourless gas must be released rapidly, silently and evenly throughout the aircraft (or else it must pass anv

gas mask that the well-propared hi-jacker would don at the slightest warning, whilst holding his breath).
To act speedily the gas will enter the body via the lungs, pass into the blood which will carry it to the brain into which it will pass by diffusion; this takes time and its efficacy will have to be such that one or two breaths will be sufficient to applicable one or two oreaths will be surricient to produce total incapacity.

Even so, a lot of damage can be done in a few seconds by determined people; instantaneous effect

The delivery of gas to all occu-pants, babies, children, the prog-nant, the old, small, frail passen-gers who have heart troubles and large muscular hijackers who have not, etc, will be at the same concentration and would require an inconceivable homogeneity of biological response to be both as efficacious and safe as must be

required.

The gas envisaged would not send people rapidly to sleep it would render people rapidly unconscious, which is not at all the same thing. Unconsciousness is a dangerous state, especially for those who have recently taken food or drink, especially alcohol, for the subject may die of respiratory failure or suffocation due to vomitality of the subject of ing (which is why patients are sent to surgery with empty stomachs). As all trained in first aid know. a first priority with unconscious patients is to put them in a prone position that will avoid suffocation.

In a large plane with people sixting upright there would be loss of life from sufforation due to the head and body drooping about.

When I consider the technology and skill required of my specialist collegues in apparathesis caring for colleagues in anaesthesia, caring for one unconscious person at a time. I tremble for the likely loss of life if a plane-load were simultanentially anaesthetized. Utopia might possibly develop such a gas, but Utopia would presumably have no need of it and its drug scientists, if any,

could be better employed on mure Utopian projects. Yours sincerely. D. R. LAURENCE, Professor of Pharmacology and Therapeutics, University College Hospital Medical

University Street, WC1.

A Colonial lighthouse From Her Majesty's Commissioner, Angiritu Sir, Your article on the Colonial Lighthouse Service (October 8) merits comments about the

Sombrero Lightstation, which it is part of my duties to administer on behalf of the Department of Trade. Conditions of life and work on Sombrero are undoubtedly testing The keepers' spell of six weeks continuous duty on the barren. waterless and windswept rock is lonely, monotonous and on occasion dangerous, and the pay and allowances do not attract many applicants. The light is one of the few remaining in the world which is still operated by kerosene under pressure, and the keepers have to tend it all night in a small chamber 166 feet up in the open metal-girder tower. Painting and maintenance work up on the tower is disagree-able and hazardous, and the keepers cannot fairly be criticized for being reluctant to take on this extra duty,

even for more pay. Sombrero is a major navigational mark for all ships, including supertankers, passing between the Atlantic and the Caribbean Sea through the Anegada passage, and the record of reliability of the light is good. The maintenance of this light station is a matter for local pride among the people of Anguilla. whose life is bound closely to the sea, and they would be glad to know that their important contribution to the safety of shipping and sailors is recognized and appreciated still.

Yours, etc. D. F. B. LE BRETON. Her Majesry's Commissioner in Anguilla (and Supervisor, Sombrero Lightstation). The Secretariat, The Valley, West Indies.

First class at cut rates

From Mr P. G. B. Letts Sir, I was so pleased to see from Mr Keen's letter of October 26 that British Rail finds that halving the cost of tickets is succeeding magnificently in stimulating travel by senior citizens. Might I suggest that the scheme be extended to the rest of the public-and perhaps Eritish Rail's problems would be solved. Yours faithfully,

P G. B. LETTS, 20-24 Orchard Street, Bristol.

Upera prestissimo From Mr Alastair K. Ross

Sir, The Musicians' Union is just tinkering with the problem. As every reader of P. G. Wodehouse knows, Puffy Benger's niece Myrtle could play Chopin's Funeral March in forty-eight seconds. That re-cord has stood for more than fifty years. Come, musicians of England, let us see your true mettle l Yours prestissimo. ALASTAIR ROSS. 48 Mount Pleasant Road,

eaping into physics rom the Editor of Nature

J. The hack who takes Philip owari's advice (October 24) and ses logarithmic to describe a sud-

den steep increase will soon be called in by his editor and told that understatement sells no newspapers. Pity the poor logarithm; it creeps up slower than anything else around-excepting, that is, the

4 Little Essex Street, WC2.

How the clubs of Dickens' London are coping with hard times

The Royal Automobile Club is o hold an extraordinary teneral meeting next month to lecide its future. The issue... hat confronts its 8,000 mempers is simple: they will have o agree to produce £1.5m in the next four years if they wish their club—now in dire need of rewiring and modernizing-

If they vote against it-and since technically the RAC belongs to its members just as all the London clubs do, the decision is in their hands—they will then have to vote on whether to merge with another club, find new and smaller premises somewhere else, or simply sell the remaining 30 years of their lease and share out the proceeds between them. The Reform Club (1,840 members). Barry's building next door in Pall Mall, has also just appealed for 123 from each of

The economic hardships that have struck the RAC and the Reform are identical to those hitting all the 40 odd remaintraditional gentlemen's.
In the late 60s and early 70s the London clubs en of the Carlton, soon to merge joyed relative prosperity. The with the Junior Carlton put things they provided—a com it all too clearly: "I'm not 70s the London clubs enthings they provided—a com-fortable place in which to doze. verged on the obsequious, a news ticker tape chattering in the hall, cheap food (even if sometimes compared to the well stocked with papers and magazines, and a complete absence of rush—were relatively cheap to lay on.

By 1974 staff salaries, heating and maintenance costs—several clubs bave up to four full-time many clubs into the red. They that impoverished club mem-bers started practising econobers started practising econo- able thing about the Loudon mies of their own, giving up clubs—and presumably one of ell but the clubs they really their greatest draws—is the used. The RAC, with a membership still enormous by changed in 100 years. Were a long club standards has been believed in 100 years. Few people today feel that they as they left it; only the electric can afford, like Mr Harold light is new. What has changed. Macmillan, to belong to the as histories of the individual clubs show, is the cost of keen-Anemillan, to belong to the as histories of the individual. Arbanaeum (£115 pa), the clubs show, is the cost of keen-carbon (£100 pa), the Turf ing them this way. Head cooks (£110 va), the Beefsteak (£30 no longer come at £150 per pa). Buck's (£125 pa) and aunum, nor housemaids at £12 per per pay.

	Founded	Membership	c Members	Walting list	Cost
American	1919	1000	American tannexions	would like 1500	£83
Athenseum	1829	2050	people of distinction	small	£115
Arts	1860	1100	architects	would like more	£85
Brooks's	1764	1300	" nice "	2 years	EE3.40
Buck's	1919	700	anyone	2 years	£125
Carlion	1832	1000	none since Torios merger with Junior Carlton		0012
Farmers'	1842	5000	agricultural interests	nearly full	622
Nevel & Military	1260's	6000	services	1 year	£63
Royal Overseas League	1910	30000	overseas interest	would like 50000	up to \$20
Turf	1268	1000	racing and landed	would like 1200	£110
White's	1693	1200	" genliemen & peers	6 years	£100

shire, Sports and Public Schools with East India. These mergers have not always been entirely happy since most clubs retain to this day a very distinctive Rates are also extremely flavour. As one Tory member high, given that almost every of the Carlton, soon to merge club is in the square mile it all too clearly: "I'm not sure how we'll feel about all those stockbrokers and accountants." Gloomy club devotees began to predict that there would be just 10 clubs left in London by the end of the decade.

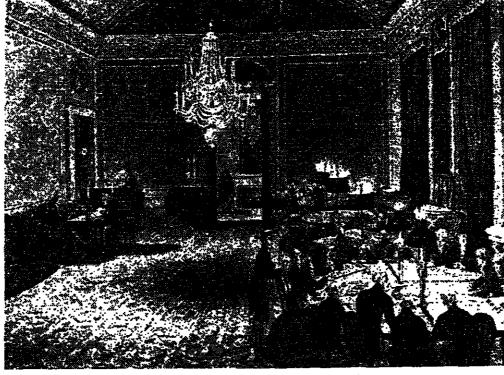
Their pessimism was possibly premature: not all London clubs are sinking. Some are booming, and others show remarkable powers of survival. But it is taking special circumstances or a willingness to adapt that many traditional club men would find intolerable, to over-

The most obviously remarkendon club standards, has lost Dickens or Thackeray to enter netween two and three the Athenaeum library today housand members since 1972, they would find the place much few people today feel that they as they left it; only the electric as they did in the 1830s (women

place. St James joined with the 1914-18 War, and wer re-Brooks's, Guards with Cavalry, placed by men once the war Constitutional with Carlton, was over; they reappeared in United University with Oxford the 1939-45 War, and have and Cambridge, and Devon-stayed—though few are as long serving and exceptional as the headwaitress of the Garrick, who read poetry on the Third Programme in her spare time.

> of the most expensive parts of London. The Athenaeum (2,050 members) pays £10,000 a year; the Arts (1,100 members) £13,000; the Royal Overseas (30,000 members) £25,000; lower down the scale comes the Naval and Military (6,000 members)

More alarmingly, mainten-ance of the buildings, several of which are Grade 1 on the government list of historic buildings (the Athenaeum, Travellers, United Services and White's) rises sharply. For the clubs that lease their buildings from the Crown, as do all those along Pall Mall, this means complete outside redecoration every four years; the Turf had to produce £13,000 in 1976 : the Athenaeum spent £10,000 four years ago, and will probably have to find twice that now. its secretary, Mr G. L. Lindow, suggested, not entirely as a joke, that the Tourist Board might care to help, since hundreds of visitors come to stare, no service charge, one of the at his Decimus Burton building many traditional club rules.



and the restthemselves. This is no longer true: a club's survival today depends less on the number of its members, since raising the subscription sufficiently only leads to resignations, than on how much members actually use the club. This, then, is the crux: since dues won't cover costs, can members be enticed back into club life? All clubs, whether flounder-

ing or prospering, rely on revenue. Buck's, which in the reputation for serving the best food in clubland, says it is necessary to book a table in the Club in Piccadilly claims the highest ratio of lunches to mem-White's are virtually always the price: most clubs lay on cheap food: the Carlton has a dish of the day at £1.00; the Turf Club at £1.75. And there is

Robert Linsley in charge, and night for a single room Farmers' Club only £9.)

Food generally is increasingly Food generally is increasingly important to club finances. Every club secretary I spoke to said that in the past two years soaring prices of West End restaurants, as well as what one described as a "new disenchantment with discos", were driving members to their clubs to dine.
Some have gone out of their
way to exploit the trend.
Brooks's have redecorated their
Henry Holland building in St James Street, hung new pic-tures, and bought curtains and carpers, not so much to change the look of the club as to re-

private parties in clubs are now more in demand than ever before—hardly supprising as no restaurant or hotel banquet-ing hall could ever rival the superb eighteenth and nineteenth-century interiors of the major clubs, many of them still containing original furniture and portraits of early members. (Clubs are vulnerable to thefts, seas a recent epidemic of clock stealing showed.) One club secretary. Mr I. B. MacFarlane, of the American Club (more English than the English founded by a group of rich Americans in 1919 who used to meet at the Savoy for lunch

and wanted their own English-style club), said: "I tend to be fairly mercenary and seek business." Brave words for a mem-ber of an institution to whom the word "business" is

One reason for the boom in eating is a matching campaign, anything as graspingly commercial as a campaign, to attract young members. One secretary but it most graphically: ∽ we had to go out after young mem-bers. Eight years ago I thought would find myself running a geriatric playgroup."

The Turf Club (just under 1,000 members), with its readi-

members), with its traditional racing clientele, has been on the edge of chaos; though still, as one member put it, very "cliquey" about who it elects, the club recently waived the emrance fees (£110) for some months in the hope of drawing new blood. Like virtually agents other club it has ally every other club it has reduced rates for younger members: £70 a year (instead of £110); the Carlton charges £40 for under 25s (full rate £100) and Buck's only £25 for under 25s (full rate £125). These measures are paying off.

It is peculiarly true of clubs to say that survival belongs to the fittest-in this case the fittest being the very exclusive and the very adaptable. The huge cavernous mausoleums, with echoing halls now nearly empty except for a few old gentlemen slumbering in one corner, and club secretaries more interested in the niceries of class than the sharp deals of the hotel business, are being squeezed out, trampled underfoot in a game of musical chairs where the chairs are the members and the clubs the players.
The Association of Club Secretaries, a small and itself exclusive club of eight secretaries. all by invitation, is revealing about survival. White's (" gentlemen and peers "; waiting list: six years), Brooks's ("very nice members"; waiting list: " a couple of years ") and Boodles ("We don't speak to the press": waiting list: known to exist) are all mem-

These clubs have, as they say somewhat complacently, nothing to worry about.
White's and Brooks's at least
own their own freehold in St
James's Street. The clubs prosper because as one man put it "their members are both very rich and drink a lot". People was to join because once there they get exactly what they want : an "old way" of life in the company of people just like themselves.

Most of the other members of the inner sweetum of chub secretaries have the same right, to be smug; they are all highly professional men, with management and catering skills, and determined to run their clubs efficiently. Though what some

hotels only in a few persisting places anywhere else in the archaic rules (no business on the premises, no tipping). Their secretaries talk of cash flow and investment policy. Among these is The Royal Overseas League, with 30,000 members, an energetic ex-hotelier called

providing excellent value for money in surroundings that are money in surroundings that are both superb (early Georgian staircase, Rysbrack fireplace in Rurland House, overlooking St James's Park) and carastrophic (functional fifties furniture lined along the walls like a station waiting room, hotel signposts, notice boards with details of a forthcoming badminton championship and talks on Latin America, with slides). The Royal Overseas League simply admits that it has had to become ever more like an hotel. More interesting perhaps is the recent history of

haps is the recent history of the Arts Club, described to me as the success story of London as the success story of London clubs. Five years ago the Arts Club (500 members, mainly architects; freehold in Dover Street) leased off its top floors and put the money into redecoration. It took two and a half years to finish, but the effect was startling; a traditional Georgian town house, sourced and redecorated in bessian and chrome.

The club committee then employed a secretary-cum-execu-tive, a Middle European with who was quick to sweep away virtually every hallowed club tradition. "Clubs", says Andre Eldon-Edington, "have no Eldon-Edington, have no sacred position. You have to make money on the capital invested. You have to educate your members to look at notice boards. I'm not shy about I could well believe him. Mr

Eldon-Edington's lures include guest speakers (Lord George-Brown, Lord Longford), a family breakfast after the Brighton raily, a gournet dinner with zither player, a clown displayer (children walcome) display (children welcome), discos in the large basement room, and complete equality between men and women mem-bers. To judge by the member-ship (now 1.100) and the numbers in the dining room the day I was there, he has supporters.

And yet many clubs would unquestionably prefer suicide to Mr Eldon-Edington's tactics. A disco in the basement, let alone a child in the dining room, would cause an instant cancellation of membership, if not a heart attack to members long reared on silence and reticence.

Most clubs do. bowever. now accept women, for their very necessary family membership and lunches if nothing else. though usually in some inferior role, parked in an austere ladies annexe, or confined to certain rooms at certain times. White's may be unique in its determination to keep women out at all times, though an ex-pression of reserved dis-approval on the faces of hall porters when confronted with a woman persists throughout chibland. One woman com letters column of this paper that she had been shown to an entrance marked "ladies and baggage"

In fact I had a number of backstairs, staff entrance visits invself, and they gave me an extraordinary vision of the downstairs of club life. It's not just the front rooms of the eighteenth and nineteenth-century buildings that have escaped a brush with modern times: historical preservation has often lingered on throughout the building, though presumably things have improved since 1859 when a minute of a meeting at the United Service Club recorded: "Ordered, that three hedgehogs be obtained for the kitchen, to kill the black beetles."

Meanwhile there is very little left of traditional club behaviour. John Vavasor, in Trollope's Cun You Foreive. Her? pot only dined at his club each day but felt deeply uneasy whenever away from it for very long. No one lives that way any more. A pale, diluted version of that life is to be found now only at lunchrime, and then only in those clubs where men alone can set foot before nightfall, and which have remained small and select enough for members to know

each other, at least by sight. Elsewhere clubs in the 1970s have become meeting places in are actually doing in the name business discussions, or restaurof survival might be seen as a ants in which to eat a quick travesty of all that is most dear dinner before the theare. As which to carry out ill-disguised At their most extreme are For there is certainly nowhere the clubs distinguishable from else in London, and very few world, where you can ear, drink and stay so centrally, in such magnificent surroundings and comfort ar such ridiculously low

Caroline Moorehead

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Court of Appeal

Dismissal for serious error of judgment

Taylor v Alidair Ltd Before Lord Denning, Master of the Rolls, Lord Justice Geoffrey Lane and Lord Justice Eveleigh

Lane and Lord Justice Revelege There are activisies, like that of an airline pilot, where the degree of professional skill required is so high, and the potential consequences of the smallest departure from that high standard are so serious, that one failure to perform in accordance with those standard are recorded to instify

de-la-Zonch, Leicestershire, from the Employment Appeal Tribunal ([1977] ICR 446) (Mr Justice Bristow, Mr J. D. Anderson and Ms Pat Smith) which in October, 1976, allowed an appeal by Alidair Ltd. of East Minlands Airport, Derbyshire, from a decision of an industrial tribunal at Nottingham, that he bad been unfairly dismissed by Alidair but that he should suffer a 25 per cent reduction in the assessment of compensation.

sation.
Captain Taylor had been dis-missed after an unskilful landing while flying an aircraft cartying

Relations Act. 1974, provides by Schedule 1, paragraph 6: "(1) in determining. ... whether the schedule 1. paragraph 6: "(1) in determining ... whether the dismissal of an employee was fair or unfair, it shall be for the employer to show—(a) what was the reason ... for the dismissal, and (b) that it was a reason falling within sub-paragraph (2) below ... (2) ... a reason which—(a) related to the capability or qualifications of the employer for performing work of the kind which he was employed by the employer to do ... (8) ... the determination of the question whether the dismissal was fair or unfair, having regard to the reason shown by the employer, shall depend on whether the employer can satisfy the tribunal that in the circumstances (having regard to equity and the substantial that in the circumstances (having regard to equity and the substantial that the circumstances (having regard to equity and the substantial that the circumstances (having regard to equity and the substantial that the circumstances (having regard to equity and the substantial that the circumstances (having regard to equity and the substantial that the circumstances (having regard to equity and the substantial that the circumstances (having regard to equity and the substantial that the circumstances (having regard to equity and the substantial that the circumstances (having the circumstances).

regard to equity and the substan-tial merits of the case) he acted reasonably in treating it as a sufficient reason for dismissing Mr Conrad Debn, QC, and Mr David Latham for Captain Taylor; Mr John Davies, QC, and Mr Richard Gibbs for Alidar.

The MASTER OF THE ROLLS said that a Vickers Viscount airsaid that a Vickers Viscount aircraft, belonging to Alidair, came down much too sharply at Guerusey airport on September 14, 1975. So sharply did it land that it bounced about 10 feet into the air, then it bounced again so that the from nose-wheel assembly collapsed. Emergency procedure was put into action. The passengers got out quickly and no one was hurt. But the damage to the aircraft was very considerable.

Alidair suspended the pilot.

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Alidair suspended the pilor, Captain Taylor, and held an inquiry which concluded that it was the pilor's fault. Captain Taylor was dismissed. He went to an industrial tribunal, which held that he had been outsirly dismissed. The Employment Appeal Tribunal had allowed Alidair's appeal, and Captain Taylor now appealed.

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Captain Taylor in 1968, had been employed since 1972 by Alidair, who operated scheduled services from East Midlands Airport. In August, 1975, some comments had been made about his handling of his aircraft, and he had been checked.

Captain Hartley had been in command of the flight of which Captain Taylor was pilot and Captain Dodd, the managing director of Alicair, had been on board with his wife. board with his wife

The company's board of inquiry had sat under the chairmanship of Captain Rogers, chief test pilot of Rolls-Royce Ltd. with a pilot, an engineer and a director of Alidair.

Alidair.

It had been a very full inquiry.

True, it was constituted in part
by members of Alidair, and had
taken hearsay evidence because it
had heard of complaints. Its
decision was adverse to Captain
Taylor, whose background

Lord Justice Eveleigh agreed.

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Solicitors: Evan Davies & Co; Church, Adams, Tatham & Co.

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the applicant a chance to answer the criticisms made of him by the board". The Appeal Tribunal had said that the criticism was

person is competent to perform his duties.

Alidair's own view, supported by the view of the board of inquiry, was that Captain Taylor could not be trusted to fly air craft on their behalf. That being their honest belief on reasonable.

been given three months salary in Heu of notice. The appear should be dismissed.

LORD JUSTICE GEOFFREY.

LANE, concurring, said that the industrial tribunal, having accurately dealt with the reason for the dismissal repended it as their task. mounty. The rive question may whether Alidair honestly believed that Capitain Taylor was not competent and whether there were reasonable grounds for that The industrial tribunal bad beld

The industrial tribunal had beld that there had been no more than "an error of judgment which can occur with all pilots from time to time." An error could cover a multitude of sins from venial to mortal. An error of judgment causing such a touch-down could not be said to do anything other than justify dismissal.

Lord Justice Eveloush agreed.

No costs for appellant

Croydon v Greenham (Plant Hire) Ltd

A crane driver who had written to the Employment Appeal Tribunal asking them to hear his appeal from an industrial tribunal in his absence was ordered to pay 550 of the respondents' costs and the ground that his behaviour amounted to unreasonable conducts. amounted to unreasonable conduct in conducting the appeal within the meaning of rule 21 (1) of the Employment Appeal Tribunal Rules, 1976.

Rules, 1976.

Mr Justice Bristow, sitting in the Appeal Tribunal with Mr B. L. Muckie and Mr J. H. Wood, dismissed an appeal by Mr W. R. Croydon from a decision of a Birmingham industrial tribunal that they had no jurisdiction to bear his complaint of unfair dismissal against the employers. Greenham (Plant Hire) Ltd, because he ordinarily worked outside Great Britain.

HIS LORDSHIP said that Mr Croydon had put his grounds of appeal in a letter. Where an appellant did not argue in support of his appeal the Appeal Tribumi could not listen to the case as

became involved as an advocate

became involved as an advocate as well as a judge.

Mr Croydon's argument amounted to a contention that the industrial tribunal had erred in their findings of fact. They had ample evidence to support their findings, so the appeal would not have grt off the ground. The two points of law raised in the notice of appeal were not dealt with m Mr Croydon's letter. The Appeal Tribunal, however, had considered them, and concluded that the tribunal were clearly right in law. The Appeal Tribunal could only award costs to a successful party award costs to a successful party in exceptional circumstances de-fined in the rules. It was important to remember that it was only by awarding costs against an unsuccessful litizent that there was any safeguard against irresponsible litization.

Mr Croydon's behaviour amounted to upreasonable conduct in conducting life appeal and he would be ordered to pay £50 towards the costs of the respondent employers who had attended the hearing of the appeal.

Point of public order

Regina v Oakwell A point of law of general public importance is involved in the question "whether an offence can be committed under section 3 of the Public Order Act, 1936, as amended, by a person who is already breaching the peace by the acts complained of ".

The Court of Appeal (the Lord Chief Justice, Mr Justice Mais and Mr Justice Boreham) so certi-

fied under section 33(2) of the Criminal Appeal Act, 1968, and, in refusing leave to appeal to the House of Lords, grained legal aid for a petition for leave to appeal to the Appeal Committee of the House.

Their Lordships had dismissed an appeal by Edward James Clive Odkwell, aged 21, from his conviction at Kent Crown Court conviction at Kent Crown Court (deputy circuit judge: Mr E. Campbell-Salmon) on a count charging that in a public place in Sheerness last January he used threatening behaviour whereby a breach of the peace was likely to have been occasioned. He was sentenced to 12 months imprisonment.

The jury were unable to arree, and were discharged from giving a verdict, on another count charging an assault on a police constable in the execution of his duty, contrary to section 51(1) of the Police Act, 1964.

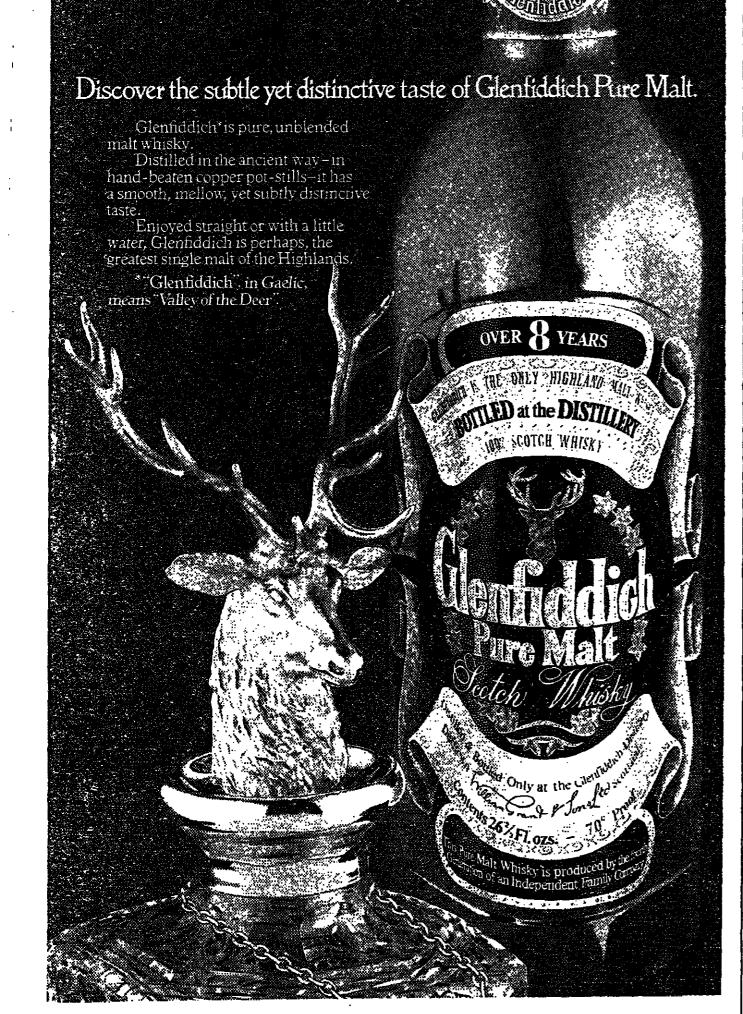
The Lord Chief Justice, bidding farewell to him in the Court of Appeal, Criminal Division, said that Mr Rogers was a tidy minded man; he had divided his public service into two neat parcels—some 30 years in the Royal Navy and 30 years in the Royal Courts of Justice. His record was of the ulmost distinction. As a boy seaman, aged 17, in the Royal Navy, he had been tor-

Man of two careers

Mr Cecil Ernest Rogers, who has been responsible for the safe-keeping of scores of thousands of Criminal Appeal files, retired after 61 years in the public service, He is 76

pedoed, during the First World War, and he had served in cruisers, destroyers, sluops and, for a time, in the aircraft carrier, indomitable.

After leaving the Navy in 1945, he ceme to the Law Courts, 224, in 1973 was, awarded the MBE for the services.



and yet he concludes that "high-quality oil paintings except the most fragile" could be shown at

The trustees do not accept this view neither do they accept Sir Hugh's parallel with the royal palaces and Burlington House and regard the risks at Somerset House

regard the risks at somerset-House as far greater than those for works of art exhibited in country houses. The third reason is the inadequacy of humidity control. The inusees were concerned by the fact that even if some degree-sel-humidity regard regula he inter-

of humidity control could be intro-duced into Somerset House this would produce, in the Fine Rooms

on the first floor, tolerances over twice as wide as those recommen-ded not only by the Tate Gallery's own conservation department (which has unique experience with

Turner's work) but also by such authorities as the scientific department of the National Gallery, the International Institute for Conservation, of Historic and Artistic Works, and the International Council of Museums.

Tate opposes Turners for Somerset House

pictures from fire. The trustees bave seen for themselves the curved staircases which, apart

curved staircases which, apart from two even narrower flights of service stairs and the small passenger lift, are the only means of access to the rooms on the first and second floors. This has convinced them that there would be both a risk to the public and little chance of rescuing any pictures injuct, should a first break out. Their view is confirmed by the Department of the Environment's own report on Somerset House and one commissioned by the Department of the Environment from Sir Hugh Casson.

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BUCKINGHAM PALACE
October 27: His Excellency Mr
Ralph Louis Joseph James Adam
was received in audience this
morning by Queen Elizabeth The
Queen McCher and The Duke of
Cloucester, Coursellors of Stare
acting on behalf of The Queen,
and presented his Letters of Commission as High Commissionare for
the Republic of Sevenelles in the Republic of Seychelles in

His Excellency was accompanied by the following member of the High Commission who had the High Commission was had the honour of being presented to Her Majesty and His Royal Highness: Mr Marshall Delcy (First Secre-

tary).
Mrs Adam had the honour of being received by Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother and The Duke of Gloucester.
Sir Andrew Stark (Deputy Under Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs), who had the honour of being received by Her Majesty and His Royal Highness, was present and the Gentlemen of the Mariena more in

Household in Waiting were in Household in Waiting were in attendance.

His Excellency Mr Abul Fazal Muhammad Fateh and Begum Fateh were received in farewell audience by Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother and The Duke of Gloucester, Counsellors of State acting on behalf of The Queen, and took leave upon His Excellency relinquishing his appointment as High Commissioner for the People's Republic of Bangladesh in Loudon.

Birthdays today

Air Chief Marshal Sir Harry Broadhurst, 72; Sir Frederick Pelve, 75; Lord Fraser of Kil-morack, 62; Mr Michael Noakes, 44; Sir Hassid Poake, 78; Mr Wil-liam Rodgers, MP, 49; Lord St Yalens, 65; Sir Folliott Sandford, 71.

Today's engagements

Royal Society meeting, scientific aspects of 1975-76 drought in England and Wales, 6 Carlton House Terrace, 9.30 pm. Quit rent ceremony: City of London pays the Queen in kind for two properties, Quadrangle Court, Law Courts, Strand, 3.30. Aquarium show, RHS Old Hall,

Vincent Square, tropical, marine and cold-water fish, 1-7. ourselves. Natural History Museum, Cromwell Road, 10-6. Lecture,
"Animal detectives" 3.
Historic London public houses
walk, Covent Garden, meet
Embankment station, 7.30.

Loriners' Company

At a meeting of the court of the Loriners' Company beld at Fan Makers' Hall yesterday, Mr James W. White was elected Master for 1978, Mr John Hovey.

Upper Warden and Mr C. K. Varian as Under Warden.

India v John Shaw & Sons (Salford) Ltd.

Refore Lord Denning, Master of

the Rolls, and Lord Justice Geof-

[Judgments delivered October 25]

Apart from defective memory, other kinds of prejudice may have to be considered on applications for the dismissal of actions for

want of prosecution. It may be a great prejudice to a commercial

great prejudice to a commercial concern to have an unquantified claim of uncertain amount hanging

over its head.
The Court of Appeal dismissed

in appeal by plaintiffs, the Presi-ient and Union of India, against in order of Mr Justice Boreham in

lune allowing an appeal by defeu-

iants, John Shaw & Sons (Sal-ord) Ltd. of Salford, Lancashire, rom Master Creightmore and ordering that the plaintiffs' actions spains the defendants be dis-nissed for want of prosecution.

By two writs, the plaintiffs laimed damages for loss and lamage suffered by them from the lafendants' breaches of a contract of October, 1961 (as amended in 962 and 1963) and a guarantee of

962 and 1963) and a guarantee of une, 1965, relating to the defendants supply for the plaintiffs of quipment for a shell forging plant in India. More than film, it was aid, might be at stake.

Mr John S. Hobbouse, QC, and Ir Michael Dean for the plaintiffs; Ir John Davies, QC, and Mr iemy Brooke for Shaws.

The MASTER OF THE ROLLS aid that in 1961 the Government of India une minded.

f India was minded to increase the production of munitions and acils and decided to build a tetory. They entered into a conact with Shaws for the plant. It its face it was an ordinary partract for the sale of goods fob. The price was some £600,000. The set equipment had been shipped to Kovember, 1964. At first Shaws are to do the installation, but iter the Government of Indian ecided to do it themselves.

ir Shaw, a director, went out in 366 and 1968; so did Mr White-ead, an expert, who died in 1969. haws did a lot of work trying to

et the equipment working pro-erly. They said that the trouble as due to the installation in

A writ was issued on November 5, 1970, more than six years after

te last shipment. Another writ ad been issued in March, 1971.

ased upon the performance waransee of June, 1965, given on ayment of the final 10 per cent of the purchase price.

Shaws had said that there had

ean so much delay that the action would be dismissed for want of

In March, 1974, the Government India said that their claim was

the region of film. Later it had

me up to f2m or f3m. The aster had not dismissed the

tions; the judge had done so, re Government of India appealed.

be application of the principles

dd down in Birkett v James. 1977] 3 WLR 38) had to be

Statements of claim were deliv-red in January, 1972, claiming 138 of production, cost of repairs

and errice parts and decrease in alue of the plant. No figures were iven to show the amount claimed, hich was significant. Defendants

anted to have claims quantified Solicitors: Stocken

1 that they could make an offer gory Rowcliffe &Co.

ecided to do it themselves. Evenually the plant was com-leted, but many defects appeared.

Court of Appeal

His Excellency Mr Vernon Lorraine Benjamin Mendis and Mrs Mendis were received in farewell audience by Her Majesty and His Royal Highness, Counsellors of State acting on behalf of The Queen, and took leave upon His Excellency relinquisting his appointment as High Commissioner for the Republic of Sri Lanka in London.

GLARENCE HOUSE October 27: Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother was present this evening at the Combined Women's Services Diamond Jubilee Reception in St James's Palace.

The Lady Elizabeth Basset and Sir Martin Gilligt were in attendance.

KENSINGTON PALACE October 27: Princess Alice, Duchess of Gloucester, Air Chief Commandant of the Women's Commandant of the Women's Royal Air Force, was present this evening at the Combined Women's Services Diamond Jubilee Reception in St James's Palace.

Lieutenant-Colonel Simon Bland was in attendance.

Mrs Alan Henderson was in

The King of Sweden has appointed Mrs Bertha Neubergh a Dame of the Swedish Order of the North

Star for services to charitable organizations and to Goteborg University.

Oxford, in succession to Dr J. L.

Mr Edwin Mundy, assistant to the deputy controller of experi-ments, National Agricultural Advisory Service, to be fann director at Bridget's Experimental

Husbandry Farm, Martyr Worthy, Winchester, from January 3, in succession to Mr Pat Jones, who

painting by the Italian artist

The statement of claim in the

second action was amended on March 7, 1974, together with fur-ther and better particulars of the

When notice to proceed was given by the Government of India on May 12, 1976, Shaws applied for the action to be dismissed for want

It had been contended that there

had been acquiescence in the delay since 1974 because of the negotia-

since 1974 because of the negotia-tions. The Government of India should have prepared the Scott schedule. It was a very different case from City General Insurance Co Ltd v Robert Bradford & Co Ltd ([1970], Loyd's Rep 520). In Birkett v James the House of Lvd ds had indicated that delay before the issue of the writ could

before the issue of the writ could be taken into account but it was not sufficient of itself. The deci-sive delay was that after the issue

sive delay was that after the issue of the writ.

Hed the later delay been innodinate and inexcusable? It might have been before 1974. When a case was started late it was all the more important for a plaintiff to get on with it expeditiously.

It was argued that since Mr. Whichead had dead and Mr. Shaw had gone to landa before the issue of the writs there had been to additional prejudice to Shaws and that the case must be dealt with on the existing documents; but Shaws connected that prejudice could lie in having claims of uncertain amount hanging over their heads.

It was only in 1974 that the claim it was only in 1974 that the claim.

as only in 1974 that the claim

it was only in 1974 that the claim was put at £1m. That imperilled all Shaws' enterprise and business arrangements with their customs.

ers. It was a matter of great prein-

dice to a commercial concern like

Shaws to have such unquantified

claims hanging over their heads.
Additional prejudice, which was not minimal, had been created since the writ to prevent 2 fair trial. It was inconceivable that

there could be a fair trial now about events in 1964. The appeal

should be dismissed.

LORD JUSTICE GEOFFREY
LANE, concurring, said that it was
clear that defective memory was
only one type of prejudice to be
taken into account in considering
whether delay was likely to cause
serious prejudice to the defen-

dants. With the prospect of a claim against elem quantified in a PS to the letter of March 7, 1974, for the

first time at "in the region of fim" a small concern might be inhibited in its commercial enter-

The judge had approached the

Solicitors : Stocken & Co ; Gre-

matter in a perfectly correct man-ner: see Lord Diplock in Birkett

v James (pp 45-46).

claim: but they were very

Painting on loan

Law Report October 27 1977

Prejudice by delay in

President of India and Union of of settlement or a payment into

quantifying claim

Latest appointments

YORK HOUSE

This would mean not a concentration but a further dispersal of Turner's work, a substantial part of which would have to remain at Miss Jean Maxwell-Scott was in attendance. attendance.

The Duke of Gloucester. President, St Bartholomew's Hospital, presented certificates, prizes, medals and first year awards provided by The Master of the Worshipful Company of Cochworkers to Nurses this afternoon. The second and most formidable reason is a risk of damage to the

The trustees of the Tata Gallery have explained why they consider that they should retain curody of the Turner paintings in the gallery's collection. They say in

Turner museum, with a more com-prehensive and extensive display than at the Tate Gallery, cannot be created at Somerset House. The first is the lack of facilities. The

total space available would be slightly less than that already devoted to Turner at the Tate and not all the space could be fully used.

Several of the rooms would not allow for showing more than a small number of pictures without

conflict with the architectural and decorative features of the house.

means of escape are not adequately answered by the Department of the Environment's report. Sir Hugh Casson's report begins with the qualification "provided the unavoidable firetisk of this building is accepted" Portrait by Forthcoming. marriages Titian

Dr N. G. Cox and Mrs J. M. Hoare
The engagement is announced between Nicholas, son of Mr G. Cox, of Wiveisfield Green, Sussex, and of Mrs E. Cox, of Warnham, Sussex, and Jane, eider daughter of Mr and Mrs J. L. Fletcher, of Truddoxhill, Somerset. YORK HOUSE
October 27: The Duchess of Kent
this evening attended a Concert
given by the Friends of the
Yebudi Menuhin School at Lambeth Palace, Her Royal Highness
subsequently attended a Fashion
Spectacular in aid of the Stars
Organization for Spastics at the
New London Theatre.

Mrs. Alan. Henderson was in Mr G. P. D'Eufemia and Miss J. P. H. Macuberson The engagement is announced between Gauseppe, elder son of Mr and Mrs D. D'Enfemia, of Salandra, Italy, and Jane, elder dughter of Mr P. G. G. Macpherson, of Santa Ana, Callfornia, and Mrs B. H. P. Whitmore, of Haslemere, Surrey.

Mr C. L. Eddlestone
and Miss G. E. Hutchinson
The eogagement is anounced
between Christopher Law, elder
son of Mr and Mrs E. T. Eddlestone, of Woodside, Symonstone,
Euradey, Lancashre, and Gillian
Edizabeth, only daughter of Mr
and Mrs A. R. Hutchinson, of
White Hill, Read, Burnley, Lancashres

Latest appointments include:
Vice-Admiral A. S. Morton, Vice-Chief of the Defence Staff, to be Vice-Chief of the Naval Staff, in succession to Admiral Sir Raymond Lygo in January.
Professor Basil Deane, professor of music, Manchester University, to be a member of the Arts Council of Greet Britain, until December 31, 1980.
Dr A. F. Williams, aged 32, to be director of the Medical Research Council's cellular immunology unit at the Sir William Dunn School of Pathology, Oxford, in succession to Dr J. L. Commander R. H. Manu, Ri and Mrs J. J. L. McGarrigle and Mrs J. J. L. McGarrigle
The engagement is amnounced
between Robert Howard, son of
Mr A. N. Mann, now of Warrambool. Australia, and the late Mrs
A. N. Mann, and Julia, elder
daughter of the late LieutenantColonel K. E. Boome and Mrs
Boome, of 43 Queensdale Road,
Kensington, W11.

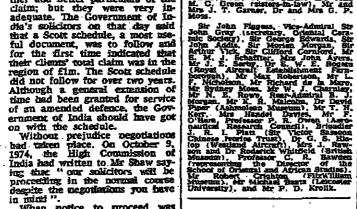
man Miss L. Stanley
The engagement is announced between David, only son of Mrs B. I. Osborne and the late Mr W. H. Osborne, of 49 Cranleigh Road, London, SW19, and Lorraine, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs G. H. Stanley, of 34 Copice Avenue, Great Shelford, Cambridge.

Major S. J. Roberts and Miss D. F. McMuetrie

and Miss D. F. McMurtrie
The engagement is amnounced
between Stephen Roberts, Scots
Guards, son of the late Mr G. B.
Roberts and Mrs H. H. Sykes,
of Moniaive, Dumfrieshire, and
Diana, daughter of Major A. J.
McMurtrie, of Ayrabire, and Mrs
N. McMurtrie, of Headington,
Oxford.

Memorial service

Garmer was held in the Chapel of the Order of the British Empire, Pan's Cathedral, yesterday. The Rev Sam Cutt officiated and read the lessons and Professor A. R. Collar and Mr Basil Gray



Marriages

and the Downger Countess of

The marriage took place quietly yesterday in the Chapel Royal, Hampton Court Palace, between Mr David Frederick Ewen and Gabrielle Counters of Cattimess.

Mr T. McGlade and Miss S. J. Dundas

mistress.

The marriage has taken place in Toronto between Mr Terence McGlade, son of Mr and Mrs Eugene McGlade, of Toronto, and Miss Sally Dunclas, elder daughter of Group Captain Hugh and the Hon Mrs Dundas.

Hampden House School for Girls The Governors of Hampden House School for Girls announce the appointment of Miss Hilary Beswick to the post of head-

A difficulty with watching the stars from Earth is knowing how much of the light they emit is absorbed by the atmosphere before it reaches the telescope. A way of getting over that is to build telescopes where the air is clear and obscuring clouds are rare. Mountains in low latitudes are particularly suitable.

are particularly suitable.

One such site is Manna Kea, a mountain in Hawaii, where Britain is building a large telescope with a 3.8m diameter dish, for observing infrared radiation from space. The telescope should extend the range of ground-based observatories to millimetre and submillimetre wavelengths, longer wavelengths than most other tele-

sommument wavelengths, longer wavelengths than most other telescopes have been capable of observing. Even at the most suitable sizes on Earth, however atmospheric absorption can still be significant, especially at longer approaches.

Messays P. H. Moffat, R. A. Bohlander, W. R. Macrae and H. A. Gebbie, scientists at the

wavelengths.

are particularly suitable.

discovered By Our Sale Room Correspondent A large and handsome portrait by Than, unrecorded

Vasari published his Lives of the pointers in the sixteenth century, collection in the North of England. The discovery was made by Mr Simon Dickinson, one of Christie's picture directors, and the painting is to be put up for sale on December 2.

sale on December 2.

It is a three-quarter length portrait of an eminent Venetian administrator in rich maroon robes, his bearded face sensitively portrayed. In his hand he holds a letter through which his identity has been established. It is inscribed "AI Ch.mo S. iacomo deifino . . .". Giacomo Delfino was born in about 1490 and held several distinguished posta held several distinguished posts in the Venetism administration. In his life of Titlan, Vasari

Delfini " (a portrait of Titlan's band of a gentleman of the house of Delfini). A date of about 1530 has been A date or about 1330 has been suggested for the portrait, when Titian was in his early forties. Where the painting has been in the interval is a mystery. It was probably acquired by the present owners in the mineteenth century. On the back of the painting is an Italian inscription stating that it formerly belonged to Canova. Christle's are setting no store by the veracity of the inscription, but the fact that it is in Italian seems to indicate that the painting must still have been

By Geraldine Norman Sale Room Correspondent

Life and landscape on the Nor-folk Broads, an 1886 publication containing 40 platimum print photographs by P. H. Emerson, was sold for £10,000 (estimate £7.500 to £10,000) at Christie's South Kensington yesterday to Thackrey and Robertson, of San Francisco.

Emerson was a pioneer of naturalistic photography, rejecting the carefully posed scenes of such predecessors as Julia Margaret Cameron in favour of portraying the working-class life of Norfolk.

Christie's sale of photographs

healthy, totalling 568,723 with 7 per cent unsold. Several outstand-ingly high prices were recorded.

A fine panoramic view of Cal-

in Italy in the early nineteenth century. The Delfini family seem to have died out at an early date. In W. Suida's Tiziano, published in 1933, a copy of the Christie's painting is illustrated. The copy then belonged to Duveen, the New York art dealer. It is described as a portrait by Titlan but the sitter is not identified; as far as can be made out from the photograph, the letter in

cutta, a half-plate daguerreotype dating from the early 1850s, brought £1,500 (estimate £750 to

£1,000). All outdoor daguerreo-types are rare, city views rarer still, and only a handful of Indian

views are recorded.

The portrait of Giacomo Delfino ascribed to Titian.

1886 Broads photographs fetch £10,000 per cent unsold. A sale of Australiana held in Sidily y yesterday, however, did rather less well, rotalling £34,085, with 30 per cent unsold. The top price of £6,750 was paid for a sporting trophy, the parcel-git Melbourne Cup of 1865, weighing 7602.

Softheby Parke Berner's sale of the James E. Gowen collection of sporting books and drawites in New York on Wednesday rotalled about a held above expectations at £76,349, with three lots unsold. Edward Orme's Collection of

the sitter's hand has no inscrip-

Titian scholars have apparently given the Christie's painting their

approval as a genuine work from the master's hand, presumably ousting the Duveen version, the present location of which does

not appear to be recorded.

Christie's estimate a price of about £50,000 to £80,000 for the

views are recorded.

Another daguerretype, "J. Hogg and Joseph Andrew, MRCSE, playing chess", taken in Richard Beard's Parliament Street studio in the 1840s, made £2,400 (estimate £300 to £1,200).

Christie's sale in Rome yesterday of the collection of Count Bruzzo was outstandingly successful, totalling £102,916, with 5 per cent unsold. Two late-sisteenthcentury Brussels tamestries fetched 14m line and 13m line (estimate

Edward Orme's Collection of British field sports, published in 1807-08, made 514,500 (estimace \$9,000 to \$12,000) or £8.238. A silver sale at Sorneby's in London yesterday made £77,412, 68.666. In New York on Wednesday Christie's sold important jewels sale at Sotheby's Beigravia, for a total of £608,461, with 15 fig.614, with 2 per cent unsold. r cent unsold a few

Mr Edmund Dell, Secretary of State, Department of Trade, was host at a luncheon held at the Savoy Hotel yesterday in honour of Licenciado Ferrando Solana, Mexican Minister for Trade.

Lord Goronwy-Roberts, Minister of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, was host at a luncheon held at 1 Carton Gar-dens vesterday in bonour of Mr Toaklyl Lauri, Chief Minister of

British Council

Luncheons

HM Government

British Council
Sir John Llewellyn, directorgeneral, British Council, and Lady
Llewellyn were hosts at a luncheon
given at 10 Spring Gardens yesterday in honour of Mr John
Cameron, general manager, Australia Council, and Mrs Cameron.
The High Commissioner for Australia and Mrs Freeth and Lord
Donaldson of Kingsbridge, minister for the arts, were among those
present.

High Sheriff of Humberside High Sheriff of Humberside and Mrs Norman Jackson gave a luncheon at Guildhall, Kingston upon Hull, yesterday on the occasion of the visits of Mr Justice Jupp to the Kingston upon Hull Crown Court.

British Caledoniau Airways British Caledonian Airways
Mr Adam Thomson, chairman and
chief executive of British
Caledonian Airways, was host at
a luncheon held at Merchant
Taylors' Hall yesterday in honour
of guests from Texas and representatives of industry and finance
from the City of Loudon. The
speakers were Mr L. Welch, exmayor of Houston, President of
Houston Chamber of Commerce,
and Mr Adam Thomson. Before
luncheon Mr Thomson was

Science report

Astronomy: The visibility of stars

Appleton Laboratory, have extended investigations of atmosphere absorption at Mauna Kea to wavelengths in the infrared range and have found that some millimetre wavelengths, theoretically predicted to be good "windows" for observing space, are in fact strongly absorbed by the atmosphere.

phere.

That phenomenon is called anomalous absorption because it falls outside the absorption expected from amospheric water vapour and oxygeo. Although it is little understood, it has been observed before at other wavelengths and at other sites. As year the Applicant Laboratory train

yet, the Appleton Laboratory team have no clear-cut explanation of what causes it, but they think it may be affected by the mountain

distorting the surrounding stmos-

phere.
Allowances can be made for

amospheric absorption but there is no way of overcoming it completely, except perhaps by sending telescopes off into space on satellites. That is what the Euro-

City of London by the Chamber-lain of the City of London at a ceremony at Guildhali.

Reception

United World Colleges
Admiral of the Fleet Earl Mountbatten of Burma, president of the
international council, United
World Colleges, with Dr David
Atterton, chairman of the board
of governors, and Mr David Sutcliffe, Headmaster of Atlantic
College, addressed the second
annual meeting of the Friends of
the United World Colleges at a
reception at 36 Queen Anne's
Gate, Westminster, on Wednesday.

Dinners Clockmakers' Company

Clockmakers' Company
The Lord Mayor accompanied by
the Sheriffs and the City Marshal,
was the guest of honour at a
livery dinner given at Goldsmiths'
Hall yesterday evening by the
Master, Mr R. Gowan Beloe, the
Deputy Master, Sir Hugh Wontner, and the Wardens, Mr John
S. Vine, Mr E. W. H. Christie and
Mr Geogre Daniels. In addition to S. Vine, Mr E. W. H. Christic and Mr George Daniels. In addition to the Lord Mayor and the Master the speakers were the Dean of Windsor, Mr Robert Ponsonby and the Renter Warden. The Master presented the Prime Warden of the Goldsmiths' Company with a specially mounted "Butterfield dial", to mark the 650th anniversary of the grant of the first charter of incorporation of the Goldsmiths' Company. Among those present were Lord Cobbold, Sir Harold Wilson, MP, Sir Murray Fox, Lieutenant Colonel T. Ie M. Sharp, the Prime Wardens of the Goldsmiths' and the Blacksmiths' Companies and the Masters of other livery companies.

Bowyers' Company The Bowyers' Company held a livery dinner at Tallow Chandlers' Hall yesterday evening. The livery dinner at Tallow Chan. Hall yesterday evening.

pean Space Agency and the National Aeronautics and Space

Administration (NASA) plan to do in 1983 when they launch their space telescope aboard NASA's

space shuttle.

The relescope should be able

to separate objects less than onetenth of a second apart and to observe objects nearly 100 times

By Nature-Times News Service. Source, Nature, vol. 269, p. 676; October 20, 1977.

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Master, Mr A. T. Reed, was in the chair and the other speakers were Mr R. M. Williams and the Master of the Bakers' Company. The Masters of the Needlemakers' and Fletchers' companies were

among the quests. Royal Institution of Chartered The Royal Institution of Char-

The Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors, City of London Branch, heid their annual dinner at Clothworkers' Hall, last night. Mr D. N. Idris Pearce was in the chair and the other speakers were Mr Nicholas Goodison. Chairman of the Stock Exchange, and Sir Peter Rawlinson, QC. MP. East European Trade Council

Mr John Cooper, deputy chairman of the East European Trade Council, presided at a dinner given by the council at Brown's Hotel yesterday to mark the sixth meeting of the United Kingdom/Polish John Commission. The Polish Ambassador and Bridsh industrialists were among those

Liverpool Law Society The president, Mr Rex Taylor, and members of the Liverpool Law Society gave a dinner vesterday at the Adelphi Hotel, Liverone of the Antipon Hotel, Laver, pool, to celebrate their 150th anniversary. The speakers were Lord Denning, Lord Goodman, Professor Seaborne Davies, Sir Stanley Holmes, Mr. R. K. Denby and the president.

Service dinner.

4th Indian Division The annual reunion dinner of the The annual reunion dinner of the 4th Indian Division (1939-1947) Officers' Association was held at the Naval and Military Club vesterday evening. The chairman, Colonel C. A. H. M. Noble, presided and General Sir Thomas Pearson and Colonel R. J. Pearte, NZ DLS were the guests of the association.

25 years ago

From The Times of Tuesday, Oct 28, 1952

Billy Hughes

The British public first came to know Mr William Morris Hughes at the time of Gallipoli, but by then he bad already won the respect and the affection of Australians by twenty years of fiery struggle in the Labour cause. No statesman from the oversea Empire has ever established himself more quickly as a vivid and lovable personality in Britain than "Billy" Hughes did, and no Australian leader has been observe objects nearly 100 times fainter than those observable on Earth. It should make measurements possible in all regions of the spectrum between the infrared and ultraviolet. The ultraviolet is completely unobservable from Earth. Because it will not be subject to the infrared of the Earth's atmosphere, the space telescope should be able to see objects on the very edge of the Universe as they were when the universe began.

By Nature-Times News Service. mourned more widely than he will be among his own countrymen. [He died aged 88 in Sydney on October 28.] At the height of his popularity in the Kaiser's war. it was said that the only man alive who could stend up to him was another Welshman—Lloyd George. His audacity delighted Clemenceau at the peace confer-ence no less than it di the English-speaking world. He stood out at the end a figure of

corner in their hearts.

OBITUARY

The conditions for exhibition galleries on the top floor also fall to reach the accepted standards,

No one can question the attractiveness of the restored rooms in Somerset House, and the trustees regret that an imaginative and exciting idea should have run into

This is particularly so when the

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development of further space on

although by a smaller degree.

DR HUGH TRACEY

African tribal music and dance

Dr Hugh Tracey, DMus(Hon), the Ford Foundation. For his the outstanding authority on work Tracey was made DMus African native music south of (Hon) by the University of the Sahara died following a Cape Town. heart attack at his home at Tracey published a num Roodeport, Johannesburg, on October 22. He was 74.

exciting local should have full into such practical difficulties. Nonetheless, for the reasons they have given, they are clear that they cannot, if they are to discharge their responsibilities properly, take the risk of moving to Somerset House the works or art placed in their case. Born at Welland, Devon on January 29, 1903, the fifth son of Dr Eugene Tracey and Emily Martin (of whose eleven child-ren several distinguished themthe Tate site opens the possibility of establishing, with greater safety, a more comprehensive collection of Turner's work and with the advantage of it being selves in fields as far epart as medicine and the Sudan political service), Hugh Tracey, on leaving Monkton Combe School, Barh, joined an elder brother Leonard in tobacco planting and mining in Phodosic shown in the context of the National Collection of British Painting as we believe Turner envisaged in his codicil of 1848. Rhodesia

> In 1934 he linked up with the South African Broadcasting Corporation, being placed in charge of its Durban office. His work involved much travel, and gave him the opportunity to develop an interest in the music of the Bantu and other African races which became the ruling passion of his life. While still in Rhodesia in 1931 he won a Carnegie Corporation fellowship that had enabled him to substantial grant to his African Music Research organization, which he had been instrumental in founding six years before. Later the Nuffield grant was doubled by the South African mining industries.

These funds enabled Tracey continue his field work, which resulted in the issue of over 100 LP recordings, and also to place on a firm foundation the African Music Society and its associated International Library of African Music— continent. He is survived by ventures that subsequently his third wife, Jill Hyacinah received generous support by Haklet, and by his sons.

ber of books, among them Songs from the Kraals of Southern Rhodesia, Antonio Fernandes-Discoverer of Monomotopa and, in 1948, Zulu Paradox, finely illustrated by Ernest Ulkmann. For the African Music Society he published African Dances of the Witwatersrand Gold Mines,

with photographs by the ballet

photographer Merlyn Severn.

He had lectured widely in America and England. Hugh Tracey was three times married. By his first wife, Ursula Campbell, be had two sons Andrew and Paul, who put the considerable musical gifts inherited from their father to use as librettists, composers and principals of the South Africaninspired musical entertainment Wait a Minim! which, with songs by Jeremy Taylor also, reached the Fortune Thearre. London, in April, 1964 after a long rum in South Africa. In London it stayed for nearly two research into tribal music and spears before transferring to dancing, and by 1953 his reputation had grown, so that the Nuffield Foundation made a and tuneful score (between them the brothers could play nearly 70 native instruments) equally attractive. Andrew Tracey returned to South Africa

> enterprises. A man blessed with a bright spirit, and of immense ability, enterprise and charm, Hugh Tracey made a personal and unique contribution to the renative music of the sub-African

appointed him as his private

ferred to the Caribbean where he became Administrator of the

Virgin Islands and soon after-

wards of St Kitts-Nevis-Anguilla.

The reductions in the Colonial

Service, which he had entered later in life than most, made

further promotion unlikely and

in 1965 he retired to Anguilla, where he built a house and occupied himself with writing for the local press and for English and American magning

zines, as well as broadcasting regularly for the St Thomas

radio on international politics.

Government House while Heary

was there but no one who knew

him could doubt his dedication to his work. It was illuminated

a wide-ranging curiosity about the world in general and based on a liberal and by no

means always traditional con-cerp for the interests of those

whom he governed. They responded, as the Caribbean

moved into a new age, nut

only to the affection and under-

standing which he showed

them but to his aristocratic turn

In the end be returned more

of phrase and action.

There was neither pomp nor tircumstance to be found at

After two years he was trans-

three years ago to assist his father with various musical

LIEUT-COL HENRY HOWARD and knowledge of the country, A correspondent writes:

Lieutenant-Colonel the Henry Howard joined the Coldstream Guards in 1932 with few material resources but with high spirits and the Sword of Honour from Sandhurst.

He was outstanding in character and appearance and remained so until his death last week, but what none of his friends could know 47 years ago was that he was possessed of indomitable courage which would inspire them and support him through much illness and pain and a varied life largely spent in the service of his

Few enjoyed the lighter side of London life more, but he soon got himself seconded to the Somaliland Camel Corps, where he formed an attachment to Africa and its people

which drew him back to Kenya after the 1939-45 Wer. His state of health would have kept many people not only at home but out of uniform but it did not prevent him rejoining his regiment in North Africa or from serving in Syria, where a wound and a further illness, which nearly proved fatal, ended his fighting service. He was posted to the Military Mission to the Italian Army, where he helped —and was himself helped by his perfect command of his mother's language—to train an Italian division which went into the line alongside its allies.

was his family home and among whose fells he has been buried. Later, as Administrative Officer at Marsabir near the Ethiopian border, he found a job after his own heart, but just before the start of the Mau Mau troubles the Governor, share, were readily at the ser-Lord Howick (then Sir Evelyn rice of friends who will not Lord Howick (then Sir Evelyn Baring), recognizing his ability

A devoted Cumbrian and a loyal member of his historic family he was a man whose style would have been remarked in any age and whose gifts. little tarnished by the material cares of which he had his full forget him.

place in local history for he

became closely involved in the tithe war of the 1930s: indeed

he was in the front line of

operations—in which his wife, Doreen Wallace and Mr A. G.

Mobbs were the leaders. Mrs Rash, as chairman of the National Tithepayers' Associa-

tion, enlisted the support of

farmers of meny crunites in a

campaign against their obliga-tion—in the depths of the agricultural depression—to pay

Amung other actions" in the tithe wor at one point Mrs-Rash and her husband under-

went a six-week "siege" of Wortham Manor before the

Ecclesiastical Commissioners.
succeeded in distraining upon

their livestock. The outcome of

the agitation was the Tithe Act of 1936, whereby in effect the

Government bought our the Church and itself undertook the

tithe to the Church.

MR ROWLAND RASH

Mr Rowland H. Rash, a wellknown North Suffolk farmer, died on October 21 at the age of 86. He was married to the novelist Doreen Wallace.

One of a family of 14, he was born at Wortham and educated at Eye Grammar School and at Framlingham College. Later, after managing Ivy House Parm, Wortham, on the Redgrave Park estate, he set up on his own account, taking Hall Farm, Wortham.
Over the years his farming. activities grew and the family now farms something like 1,000 acres at Wortham. Rowland Rash was a very

public-spirited man, sitting on the East Suffolk CC for 47 years, serving the NFU at every level and involving himselt in every kind of local organization from Diss Young Farmers' Club (which he and Mrs Rash founded) to the Redgrave, Eotesdale and Rickinghall Cricket Club for whom he turned out faithfully for some 50 years. But he has perhaps a larger

Lady Sciciona, wife of Sir Hannibal Scicluna, MBE, died on October 25. She was Margaret Helen Jervis (nee Cadzow) and she married Sir Hannibal Scicluna as his second wife in 1959.

responsibility for the collection and redemption of tithes—and their ultimate extinction. In addition to his villaw, Mr. Rash leaves a son and two daughters.

Nancye Countess of Yar-borough, widow of the fifth Earl of Yarborough, MC, died on October 27. She was the daughter of Alfred Brockle-hurst and she was married in 1919. Her husband died in 1948.

AND THE PROPERTY OF THE PROPER

Latest wills National Trust bequest

Mr Alexander Percy Skipton Climo, of Ashford, Kent, left £122,560 net. After bequests of £2,750 be left a third of the residue to the National Trust.

Miss Mary Elizabeth Alfan, of
Upper Edmonton, left £119,157
net. After bequests of £38,250 see left the residue equally between the Royal Calculonian Homes and Schools, Bushey, and the Cance Research Campaign. Mr William John Peck, of Christ-church, left £429.107 net. He left £10,000 each to the RNLI and the Victoria Homes for Old People,

Guernsev. Other estates include (net. before tay paid; tay not disclosed) : Harker, Mr Joseph, of Letchworth, cotton mill manager £145,607 Horton, Mrs Edna Mary Ewlog.

stood out at the ear a lague of sterling sincerity and consistency fc: whom even those who had fought him hardest kept a warm Stanley, of Macrdy, Mid-Giamor-gan £128,246

The Illustrated

NOVEMBER

Ronald W. Clark

EDISON'S PHONOGRAPH Tony Osman THE FIGHT AGAINST FLU Carolyn Scott **NEW CHURCHES** Norman Mass ITALY'S VIOLENT LEFT Joan Bal eweil
PROFILE OF PAT ARROWSMITH

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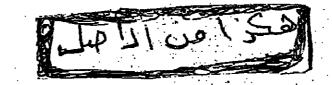
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Stock Exchange Prices

Good gains in long gains

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The United States govern-

ment-at present conducting a grand jury anti-trust investiga-

tion into an international uranium cartel—knew of the

existence of a uranium producer

pricing policy as far back as

1972, according to Canadian

As the international furore continues over American action

in the uranium market against

By Our Financial Staff

diplomatic papers.

uranium

Government sees key role for small businesses in creating jobs

The fact that small businesses

unemployment, is likely to have had a big influence on Mr

Small businesses are seen as being far quicker than larger

concerns in adapting to changed

economic circumstances and new opportunities, provided they are given the right incen-

The Budget proposals will cost the Government only a modest amount, perhaps £100m in a full financial year:

But the measures were de-

signed to show entrepreneurs

that the pendulum is beginning

to swing back their way after years of restrictive and time-consuming legislation and a growing emphasis on large-scale

industrial organization at the

Mr Cryer will be looking at is

the large amount of legislation which can impose large admini-

strative strains on small com-

attempt to exempt small con-

the Lever group will look at

their was a possibility of only a

modest further cut in mortgage

rates in the near future from

He forecast a total rise in secondinand house prices of 7 per cent this year, increasing

to about 10 per cent next year. Leeds, the fourth-largest

building society in Britain, yes-

terday also announced its results for the year to September 30. These show total assets of £1,891m against £1,622m a year ago, a record growth of

16.6 per cent.

Mortgage lending was £377m

a ninst £362m the year before.

This was lent to 41,800 buyers.

against 43,100, and 13,700 exist-

ing owners were helped with

home improvement advances.

£300m to £365m. The society

says some increase was felt to be desirable to maintain an even flow of mortgage funds.

Receipts from investors rose

from £709m to £859m and in-

vestors' balances rose by £250m

Liquid funds were up from

the present 91 per cent.

While there will be no

One area which Mr Lever and

expense of the small concern.

Lever's study group.

By Desmond Quigley industrial activity gains momentum, it will not necessarily lead to greater employment by large Budget, are seen by the Gov-companies, since many will ernment as an important com-ponent in bringing down the existing machines and workers. Budget, are seen by the Government as an important comlevel of unemployment

The Chancellor's Budget comploy some 25 per cent of the comploy some 25 per cent of the private sector workforce and that just a small increase in labour by these companies must be problems of small concerns, are unemployment, is likely to have the problems of small concerns, are unemployment, is likely to have the problems of small concerns, are the problems of small concerns. designed to give back some confidence and restore morale to the small entrepreneurial sector of industry.

But they are only a first instalment, and were based Mr Lever's first report to the Prime Minister.

Mr Lever, who was handed the task only in Seprember, and Mr Bob Cryer, the minister with responsibility for small businesses, will present a series of reports on ways to help small businesses, particularly changes in taxation, over the next few months

Mr Lever said yesterday: "There are important problems of structural unemployment which are bedevilling us now and troubling us in the

"I am absolutely certain that in the solution to them, the small business firm has a very important role indeed to

"It we are hoping to get a much more perfect response to the problem of structural un-employment then we will have to get the maximum achievements in the small business

Behind this reasoning appears on small businesses could be to be the realization that as eased.

Not inflows of cash into the

building societies were yester-day forecast at a record £650m

for this mouth by Mr Leonard

This compares with £462m in

But the level of the inflow,

resolution to maintain

September and the previous record of £511m in May.

due to be announced on November 11, has not shaken

its deposit rate on existing accounts at 6.7 per cent after

Building Societies Association recommended a drop to 6 per

cent. Abbey National was the

first major society to decide on maintaining its deposit rate

Mr Hyde said yesterday that

the higher rate would be main-

rained umil January 31, and

hould apply to all accounts on the books on Tuesday.

But despite the record in-lows of cash, Mr Hyde said

at 6.7 per cent.

Hyde, chief general manager of secche Leeds Permanent Building per

By Bryan Appleyard

Record £650m inflow

likely for societies

£12.5m counterbid for Crane

By Our Financial Staff The battle for control of Crane Fruehauf, the major independent British trailer maker, entered a new phase last night with a £12.5m bid from Inchcape, the inter-

national trading group.

This follows the latest bid for control from the American Fruehauf Corporation, which involved an increased cash offer valuing the company at

Fruehauf, which holds 36.6 per cent of Crane, raised its bid from 61p cash per share to 70p earlier this week. This was the latest move in a strugle for takeover by Fruehauf that has lasted for more than a year. Inchcape's offer has share Inchcape's offer has share cash options. The share alternative is 27 Inchcape shares for every 125 Crane. At last night's closing price of 373p for Inchcape, this puts a value on Crane of 81p against Crane's closing price of 71p. The cash offer is 81p per share.

It comes with the recommendation of Crane's United Kingdom directors advised by Barclays Merchant Bank.

Inchcape says that Crane

Inchcape says that Crane would continue as a separate entity within the group and would benefit from Inchcape's experience in international marketing and vehicle assembly. On the issue of the licensing agreements between Fruehauf and Crane, both the United Kingdom directors and Inchcape say the company can expand quite satisfactorily without infringing them.

Fruehauf had argued in its

latest offer documents that the ending of the agreements in 1979 would have a serious effect on Crane's profits.

cerns from legislation which the Government believes to he socially necessary—such as the Employment Protection Act— Incheape has already acquired 6.8 per cent of Crane's equity as a prelude to making the bid. other areas where the burden Closing date for the latest Fruehauf bid is November 7. The 61p bid received accept-ances in respect of only 90,500 shares, less than 1 per cent of the equity.

Strong demand quickly exhausts long-dated 'tap'

Strong demand for the Gov-rument's long-dated "tap" stock yesterday morning after the Chancellor's measures the previous day led to supplies of the stock being declared ex-

The stock, Exchequer 10; per on offer last Thursday—£800m other criterion led to disaster, nominal of the stock having sooner rather than larer. been offered to the public with a further £100m allocated to the Commissioners for the Re-duction of the National Debt. Investors have, however, had to put up only just over £240m so far, the stock at present being in partly paid form (530 per

cent).

The call for the balance outstanding, £66 per cent, falls on November 23.

Market opinion was divided yesterday on the likelihood of the authorities announcing a replacement stock this afternoon and minds of the people who placement stock this afternoon. and minds Financial Editor, page 21 work in it."

Incheape in Lower American deficit lifts dollar

Overseas money flooded into London yesterday morning after dealers had had a chance to muli over Mr Healey's mini-Budget. Sterling topped \$1.78 at one point but was brought down again by heavy Bank of England intervention.

Pressure eased substantially after much better than expected United States trade figures for September were published. The dollar rebounded against all currencies on this news and closed at \$1.770 against the pound. This was a rise of 3 points on Wednesday's closing level.

The markets had been expecting the American trade figures to show a deficit of \$2,500m to \$3,500m. In expectation the rate plunged through the psychological barrier of 250 yen to the dollar and rouched a record low in London of just over 248 yen.

As the deficit was only \$1,720m buyers came back for dollars. The rate still closed at a record low against the Japanese currency at 250.25, down 1.35 yen on the day. In Europe it closed at DM2.265 and 2.24 Swiss francs.

for a 0.1 drop in sterling's effective rate index. This was calculated at 62.6 in the morning, but fell to 62.5 at noon and

Demand for sterling coming from "everywhere" kept the markets extremely busy, according to one dealer. He esti-mated that the Bank of England has taken as much as \$500m into the reserves in the last two days. This will be included in the October reserves total, to be published next Tuesday.

So the market pressure on the Govern-ment to abandon its policy of holding the exchange rate stable continued unabated yesterday. The absence of any substantial relaxation of exchange controls in the Chancellor's statement has led many market men to assume that the pound will be allowed to go up if and when foreign inflows push the money supply growth above the target ceiling of 13 per

itself for conflict between its monetary and exchange rate objectives. Mr Healey and Mr Gordon Richardson, the Governor of the Bank of England, both recently restated their firm commitment to the money targets, though Mr Healey also said on Wednesday that the Government wanted to keep the exchange rate stable. However, the Government has not yet decided which way to jump. Exchange ruled out. Easier outward controls or emergency inward controls are still a possibility, although many believe that

either would be ineffective. Controlling the money supply by selling more government debt—which implies a

rise in interest rates-may also be tried before an appreciation. Most people expert the money supply figures to be high in the next few months. partly because of the infllows and partly because of the additional public borrowing as a result of Wednesday's measures.

Some believe that the Government may

allow a couple of months of bad figures in the hope that this will scare off the foreign demand for pounds.

This seems to go against the official reaffirmation of money targets, and would run the risk of putting off domestic buyers of gilts as well. The Canadian dollar remained weak

despite the improvement in the American dollar which it usually follows. It closed below the 90 American cents level which it first breached on Monday, but was 9 points up on the day at 89.97 American

Lower US deficit, page 20 Canada's economic winter, page 21

BSC chairman pledges 60,000 shipyard jobs return to profitability | may go in Community

Sir Charles Villiers, chairman of the British Steel Corporation, last night emphasized his commitment to ensuring that the state steel under-taking returned to profitabi-

The BSC chairman was speaking in Newcastle upon Type in advance of next month's appailing half-year results which are expected to show a deficit of about £200m. Type month's with losses for the full year likely to range between £400m and £500m.

He told the Northern Society of Chartered Accountants that any other companies losing money at the rate BSC was, would now be in receivership or liquidation

The BSC, he said, would become profitable only when it satisfied its customers, but it would only satisfy them if the corporation was itself part of the tough competitive world.

The first essential was that the corporation had to become a business and cease to be an

institution. "In a changing world, the presumption must be in favour of change. It is disastrous to make today what you made so well yesterday. It is just as disastrous to make it in the same way—if the competition has substantially reduced its real costs."

He stressed that in the BSC's

situation it was profit which must be used to measure judge, decide and reward: any sooner rather than larer. Sir Charles said the corporation had been decentralizing its activities and would continue to do so in a constant effort to match costs to revenue by better control and to achieve the margins that were necessary.

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Sir Charles Villiers: "No pensioner of the state."

industry, expensive and unsuitable for job creation, said Sir Charles.

He stressed that the corporation had constantly to be selec-tive and sophisticated, and continue enhancing its quality and delivery performance.

"There is no future for steel as a permanent pensioner of the state.

" Unless our management has the cutting edge and the ability to earn profits and be constantly profit-aware, we shall fail our customers and they will go off to foreign sup-pliers who have the sharpness and the speed to serve them."

is now at the centre of inten-sive discussions within White-hall, and ministers and officials are meeting almost daily with top executives of the corporation in an attempt to agree on measures to cope with the crisis.

The corporation's own plans for resolving the crisis are expected to be submitted to Whitehall within the next few weeks, and Mr Varley, the Industry Secretary, is expected to face tough questioning

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From Our Correspondent

Brussels, Oct 27 Between 50,000 and 60,000 workers in the European Com-munity's shipbuilding industry will have to be made redundant between now and the 1980s if the industry is to meet the crisis of over-capacity and a drastic fall in the order books by then, senior EEC officials said here today.

The Commission, at a press conference to unveil their proposals to restructure the industry and harmonize government aids, issued a gloomy forecast of Community yards acquiring only 2.4 million tonnes of world orders in 1980 compared with the present order of 4.4 million tonnes.

M Ferdinand Braun, Director-

General in charge of industrial affairs, said that world demand in 1980 would at best be around 13 million tonnes and could be as low as 11.5 million tonnes,

This was to be contrasted with 33 million tonnes a few years ago. The EEC share, be stated, was not a pessimistic figure. The Community experts cal-

culate that half of the 1975 workforce of 180,000 wil have to be shed by 1980 if the industry is to survive in competitive

Some 15,000 workers have already left the industry through "natural wastage" and another 15,000 to 20,000 will leave similarly between now and 1980. That leaves around 60,000 workers to be made redundant the experts in Brus-

se!s say. BSC's parlous financial state to the Council of Ministers the to the Council of Ministers the creation of a committee of national and EEC officials to work out "the share-out of the sacrifice", as M Braun put it: that is, setting production ceil-ings and ways of reducing overcapacity on the basis of the 2.4 million tonnes estimated orders.

In their restructuring pro-posals, the Commission state clearly that, faced with an estimated 40 per cent decrease in world production between 1975 and 1980, the situation of the EEC's yards can only lead to

member states, based on the support of production and jobs, risks ending up in freezing potential production which will be incapable of becoming com-petitive and will make the conthird country shipbuilders. The jobs situation will then be threatened in its entirety", they say.

But when it comes to commission aid to modernize the ailing industry officials said that they were proposing only 30 million units of account (about £20m) from the budget. This could either take the form of interest rebates or direct investment grants. The Commission proposals

aim vaguely at creating new jobs outside shipbuilding for excess personnel, preferably in the areas of their present jobs. They also suggest ways of protecting the maritime en-

vironment as well as the strengthening of safety rules on ships and the social conditions of seamen in order to give an immediate boost to Community yard production. Elsewhere, in their proposals

for the fourth directive on shipbuilding aids—to run from next year to 1980—the Commission say they might grant tem-porarily special aids to avert the crisis. Peter Hill writes: The Com-

mission's proposals face strong opposition from a number of member states, not least from the United Kingdom, which has declared itself to be against any policy of contraction.

Indeed the British Govern-

ment has made clear that it aims to minimize contraction of shipbuilding industry. Other Community including France. West Germany and Denmark are expected to oppose any policy which involves sharing out orders between member states. Within Whiteheell there was strong criticism at the lack of formal consultation over the measures, and propesd tte

foreign uranium producers, Canada, the west's secondlargest producer, has released diplomatic documents sent to the United States government over a period of years. These underline the growing resentment of the Canadians against the activities of the United States, while making it plain that the operations of western uranium-producing countries and companies had been made known to Washing-

In a letter dated February 14, 1972, to Dr A. S. Friedman, of the United States Atomic Energy Commission, Mr H. C. Armstrong, commercial counsellor at the Canadian Embassy in Washington, states that a meeting of producers from Australia, Canada, France and South Africa had been held earlier in the month, as had one of government representatives of the same countries, except South

"It is understood." the letter states, "that at the producers' meeting such matters as floor prices and market allocation would be reviewed." The documents also make

clear the extent to which the Canadian government inter-vened in its domestic uranium industry because of fears that restrictive American policies would decimate the industry.

Canada has frequently com-plained, in increasingly bitter terms, at the way the United States upset the international uranium industry, and subsequently at its attempts to obtain evidence regarding the uranium cartel from Canadian producers. Releasing the diplomatic

documents, which give levels of saies quotas, Mr A. W. Gillespie, Canadian Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources, said: The government finds it objectionable that the actions of Canadian uranium producers, which were required by Canadian law and taken pursuant to Canadian policy, should be called into question by foreign

As part of its efforts to obtain evidence on the activities of the uranium producers' "club", the United States immunity from prosecution to seven directors and senior executives of Rio Tinto-Zinc if they testify in an unrelated legal action brought against Westinghouse Electric Corpor-

ation. The RTZ personnel, backed by the British Government, are currently appealing in the currently appealing in the House of Lords against being forced to give evidence for

Westinghouse. RTZ is a major uranium producer and is alleged to have been a member of the uranium

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Mr Varley, Secretary of State for Industry, has named at Peter Benton, a director of he Gallaher group, as the Post Office's managing director relecommunications in telecommunications in uccession to Sir Edward ennessy who retired in July, or Kenneth Cadbury will be ofr Benton's deputy.

Mr Benton will take up the oppointment on January 1. Mr variey said it was not intended it present to appoint a succesto Sir Edward as deputy hairman of th ecorporation. Any decision on such an ppointment will probably wait the conclusion of the lebate over the future shape evare over the

How the markets moved

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Gallaher director BR pension fund makes £80m offer for **Edinburgh and Dundee Investment Co**

is making its second attempt this year to buy an investment trust. Yesterday it announced an all-cash offer for Edinburgh 100 per tent of asset varies, after deducting prior charges at par and any liability arising from the termination of the contract with the managers, Baillie Gifford & Co. and Dundee Investment Combe applied will be worth nearly

bid follows closely on a similar offer worth nearly £100m from the National Coal Board Pension Funds for The British Investment Trust. Both offers have been rejected.

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Rejection by The British Investment Trust came yesterday after the terms of British Rail's offer for Edinburgh and Dou-Investment had been

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y Nicholas Hirst British Rail is offering to pay
British Rail Pension Funds 100 per cent of asset value.

But the railmen are not depany, which on the formula to ducting the 25 per cent sur-banadied will be worth nearly render element of the dollar premium included in the book value of the trust's overseas stocks, but which is technically payable on transfer. The NCB bid for British In-

vestment Trust, which is an independent group, involves the taking on of its management, but the terms offer only 98 per cent of asset value, and in arriv-ing at the price to be paid the dollar premium surrender ele-ment would be deducted as well as other prior charges.

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The FT index: 511.6-1.4

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BIT's view is that it could not possibly accept an offer which was palpably inferior to another for another investment trust being made at the same time. The Coal Board, however, do not accept that the offers are

necessarily comparable. On the basis of the latest estimate of net asset value of the shares of Edinburgh and Dundee, Hill Samuel, advisers British Rail, believe that their offer formula would give 162p per share in cash to share-

An estimate of valuation on a similar basis on September 30 would give an offer of 170p in cash. The price before Edinburgh and Dundee announced it had received a bid approach was 115p.

of state pension

By Margaret Drummond

tribution deductions.

becomes operative. This provision will end on July 6 and the concession will be available only to employers who meet the March 14 dead-

Dr Burns attacks Carter Administration 'myopia' over stimulating economy

From Frank Vogl Washington, Oct 27

A bitter and potentially damaging dispute has erupted between the Federal Reserve

The dispute could weaken business confidence, damaging the prospects for further substantial economic growth, and could result in President Carter deciding against renewing Dr Arthur Burns's contract as chairman of the central

Last night Dr Burns de-livered his sharpest attack on the Administration's policies since Mr Carter took office in

Congress and the Administration were failing to adopt policies that could create an environment likely to encourage investment and so ensure sustained economic growth.

He said that substantial doubts and uncertainties now

as governmental viewed myopia ". Dr Burns rejected criticism

of the Federal Reserve's mone-rary policies. He stressed that the Fed must do all it could Strong criticism of these

The Fed chief noted last right that "the spectre of serious inflation continues to munity . . . I cannot overthe importance of un-

budget deficit and that resulted in greater inflation. He called for some cuts in public

New figures were released today showing that the United States had a total budget deficit in the last fiscal year of \$45,000m (about £25,423m) and Dr Burns's comments clearly reflect his disquiet over recent moves to set the budget deficit for this fiscal year (which started on October 1) at around \$50,000m New figures were released

around \$60,000m.
The dispute between the Fed and the Administration centres primarily on monetary policy. Last week the White House issued a "notice to the press" which reflected Dr Schultze's view that monetary policies must be eased.

Dr Burns stressed last night

in what clearly must be seen as an attack on the White House statement that "we [at the Fed] have no intention of letting the money supply grow at a rate that will add fuel to the fire of inflation".

Dr Burns suggested that the Congress and the Administration were paying insufficient attention to the low level of business profit and to ways in which business investment could be increased, so generating higher profits and, he argued, so alone ensuring further reductions in unemployment.

At a press conference later President Carter said he agreed with Dr Burre that corporate profits should be higher and, most particularly, by Dr He scknowledged that some Charles Schultze, President Administration policies had Carter's chief economic adviser. nessmen, but he said he had no choice and could not move quickly on l'ageroing problems such as social security financ-

ing and energy policy. He said his disagreements winding the inflation that is with Dr Burns were honest continuing to plague our differences of opinion and he economy.

He sharply reprimanded the sions. He had not yet decided whether he would reappoint Dr

manner of the announcement can only heighten the opposition to the scheme. producers' club.

PHILIP HILL INVESTMENT TRUST LIMITED

Interim Statement

The Directors have declared an interim dividend of 2.5p (2.25p) per share on the Ordinary Capital in respect of the year ending 31st March 1978, payable on 19th December 1977 to Shareholders on the Register on 4th November 1977.

The unaudited figures for the half-year to 30th September 1977

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March deadline for opting out

A deadline of March 14 next year has been set for employers who wish to contract out of the Government's new earnings related pensions scheme, which starts on April 6, Mr Stanley Orme, Minister for Social Security, announced yesterday. In response to what is expected to be a flood of eleventh-hour applications to the Occupational Pensions Board, which has the task of verning company schemes, Mr Orme proposes easing some of the regulations regarding con-

Provided an employer meets the March deadline, he can pay, on behalf of himself and his employees, the lower contracted-out rate contributions even if he has not been granted. contracting-out certificate by the time the new scheme

Board and the Carter Adminis-

banking system when it expires on January 31.

January.
Dr Burns declared that the

prevailed in the American business community, which reflected "in large part, irrita-tion or annoyance at what is

to reduce inflation. policies has recently been voiced by the Joint Economic Committee of the Congress

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Congress and the Administration for continuing to take Burns to a new term as Fed measures that added to the chairman, he added.

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BOC shop stewards turn down pay offer

By Donald Macintyre Labour Reporter

Threats of further largescale layoffs because of the British Oxygen Company strike grew last night after snop stewards voted in Manchester to reject new company proposals on pay.

Soon after the shop stewards' employees at six of the company's 46 depots had already followed suit by rejecting the new proposals.

Mr John Miller, Transport and General Workers' national tofficer for chemicals, said the pusition would not be clear until all branches bad voted. But he added: "You don't have to have a crystal ball to

see the way it is going. It looks as though the ball is going to be in the company's court. The shop stewards took the line that the national negotiating committee for the industry should be reconvened without a return to work. The company meanwhile has said that it is prepared to reopen negotiations, but only after a return. Dr Graham Winfield, chief

executive of the company's gases division, said last night he was disappointed that workers appeared to be opting for remaining out on strike. We are not changing our position", he said. "It is up to the common sense of workers to settle this dispute. The company had been prepared, if there was a return, to reopen talks on its offer of 10 per cent increases and a pro-ductivity deal.

Rover output to resume as parts strike ends

Strikers at Leyland's com-ponents factory in Radford, Coventry, agreed vesterday to end their six-week stoppage which has hit Royer and Triumph output and will return to work today.
Output of the Rover 3500 and

Triumph TR7 ranges is expected develops to start again as soon as supplies of rear axles are restored. Both sides were approached earlier in the week by the Advisory, Conciliation and Arbitration Service.

More than 7,000 workers

were still idle at Leyland's strike-bound assembly plant in Longbridge, Birmingham. Allegro and Mini production

emained at a standstill because of a stoppage by 600 vehicle inspectors over a regrading and wedges itself while the claim for an extra £3 a week. chassis penetrates the passen-The inspectors are meeting Effects of the strike have

already spilled over to Castle Bromwich, where output of body shells for the Mini has been disrupted, with 300 men

Voting on Leyland's £50m package of wage bargaining reforms was drawing to a close secured bumper, Quinton has field, will be well pleased with yesterday, and the result will produced a hydraulically the way work has proceeded be known early next week. be known early next week.

\$1,715m US deficit lowest since May

Washington, Oct 27
America's balance of trade deficit last month was about \$950m less than in the previous month but was still very high at \$1,715m and pushed the figure for the year so far to more than \$19,000m.

Government officials estimated today, on the basis of the new figures, that the 1977 deficit may be about \$26,000m. The lower September deficit modestly

assisted the dollar in the foreign exchange markets, but it continues to face considerable pressure as a result, to some degree, of this year's deficit and the prospect that next year's may be even bigger.

The Department of Commerce reported that the trade deficit in September on a work with two abstentions— adjusted basis amounted to \$1,715.2m, which is \$954.3m smaller than in August. It is, in fact, the lowest monthly deficit since May.

American exports last month reached a record high of \$10,915.9m, about \$500m above the previous record in May. It is \$1,353.2m greater than the August total. Particularly sharp rises were seen last month in foreign sales of heavy machinery. food, chemicals and building materials.

down to a single figure as early

as possible next year if the economy is to make real pro-

gress, Lord Warkinson, president of the Confederation of

British Industry, said last night.

At the annual dinner of the

CBI's North-West region in

Manchester, he said they wanted a higher growth rate,

more jobs and reductions of

This means achieving a single

figure rate as early as possible

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in size to the record of \$12,932.1m in June. The September level is about \$400m above the August total.

America's vast and mounting consumption of foreign oil continues to be the key cause of the rising foreign trade deficit and again last month, the Commerce Department said, energy imports rose by \$483.8m over the August level to \$3,950m.

The degree to which the United States is now dependent on foreign oil and the impact of oil imports on the balance of payments has been barely noted in the critical congressional debate so far this week on a national energy programme. The Commerce Department stated that

the trade deficit for the first nine mouths of this year totalled \$19,298.3m compared with a deficit of \$3,150.5m in the comparative 1976 period. The department pointed out that exports so far this year had been at an annual rate of \$120,778m, while imports had been rising to an annual level of \$146.509m.

Government officials are doubtful if American exports can maintain the Sentember level in the next few months. Still further increases in food exports are

they are somewhat baffled as to just why machinery and transportation equipment exports should have risen by \$506.3m last month to \$4,670m. This is seen as particular larly large and possibly quite exceptional.

On exports, the officials say that the key factor remains the general growth rate of the international economy. There is little optimism at either the Treasury or the Commerce Department for an improvement in the pace of economic recovery abroad.

Mr Anthony Solomon, the Under Secretary for Monetary Affairs at the Treasury, recently said, and this view is now widely accepted by the Administration, that "the growth of our economy will be a bit slower (in 1978) than in 1977, but growth abroad may not pick up much-it may even be a bit slower in Europe.

World crop carry-overs are at high levels and good harvests are again likely. Consequently, the value of United States farm exports may decline somewhat". Mr Solomon concluded that "I do not

see the basis for much, if any, reduction in our trade deficit in 1978, and I would not rule out the possibility of some further

Single-figure inflation | Machine tool orders show slight recovery

to give cash in hand to the hard-pressed taxpayer and to forgo any conditionality in the package.
"Whether the Chancellor's insufficient to prevent further contraction of the United King-

actions will keep the level of pay settlements down to the cent, whether they will do any-thing to restore business confidence, productivity and investment, is a much more open

He added: "None of this is issue.
"We also have to express our possible unless we also get inflation down to EEC levels. disappointment at the relaxation in the control of public expenditure. This must limit the Chancellor's room for manoeuvre next April, when we This was the main test that they applied to Wednesday's expect him to make proposals by Mr Healey, the in direct taxation. expect him to make further cuts

We strongly support the "As a correction of course concessions for the smaller busi-within the IMF financial limits ness and help for the construcby which the Government is tion industry. But the cost of bound, the measures are no these proposals should have been found from economies and

By Stephen Goodwin

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British National Oil Corpora-

tion (Development) announced

yesterday that drilling had begun on the first production

well in the Thistle oilfield. The

flow from Thistle should begin

in December and will provide

the nationalized company with its first "equity" oil for sale

It is expected that production

will begin at a rate of about 40,000 barrels a day, with the

oil being pumped direct into a

Meeting the December target

is, of course, dependent on the weather and a period free of

drilling or start-up problems. However, BNOC (Development),

the operators for the Thistle

Drilling starts on first

Thistle production well

Machine tool orders from home and foreign customers continue to increase in value and numbers, according to latest Whitehall figures, but are still

Latest estimates published in today's issue of Trade and Industry magazine show that from May to July, total new orders were worth £120.5m, a rise of 59 per cent on the depressed conditions of a year earlier but only 2 per cent bibles about the process of th higher than the previous three

months. Higher prices are thought to account for less than half of the rate of growth on a year earlier and it is concluded that order books are recovering in real terms.

Sections of the industry remain vulnerable to the persist-ent lack of world-wide machine tool business, however, and

Four other companies have

an interest in the field. Demi-nex has a 42.5 per cent share. Santa Fe 22.5 per cent, Tri-

centrol 9.65 per cent and Charterbouse Petroleum Devel-

The two drilling rigs operated

wells to about 1.300ft below

by Santa Fe became operational in July. Since then it has drilled

the ocean floor and set and

cemented 20in conductors in

each. This will reduce drilling time on each development.

carrying about 600,000 barrels

of crude oil have been char-

Bow-loading equipment has been installed in the vessels to

permit crude loading from a tanker-loading buoy (single anchor leg mooring) in the field

tered by the Thistle unit.

Three tankers each capable of

opment 1 per cent.

lack of orders poses a continued threat to jobs. Herbert in Coventry is the latest company to announce a cut in jobs be cause of the recession.

The provisional figures show that at the end of July, total orders-on-hand stood at £244m, the highest level since 1975 and 26 per cent higher than July, 1976.

Export business, on which the industry is placing particular emphasis in the next few years, appears to have slowed consid erably. Overseas orders outstanding at the end of July were 22 per cent up on a year earlier at £110.6m but only 3 per cent higher than at the end of April. Home orders-on-hand

equal about six months' deliverthe magazine states that export order books appear sufficient to sustain the recent depressed level of sales activity for about

Brussels move to phase out food subsidies From Michael Hornsby

Brussels, Oct 27

A new proposal for automatic pound " with market rates and the phasing out of subsidies paid by the EEC on British food imports, was announced today

The scheme, unlikely to receive the support of many member governments, would require all member states to eliminate over seven years the existing gap between the market values of their currencies and the special green rates

At present, the green pound used for translating the EEC's common farm prices into ster ling, is 31.9 per cent above the pound's real value, as measured against the Community's joint

Under the Commission's pro-posal, the Government would thus be obliged to devalue the green pound by about 4.5 per-centage points once a year for seven years. Devaluation has hitherto always been resisted because it would automatically put up farmers' prices, reduce import subsidies and indirectly increase food prices in shops.

In a separate move, the Com-mission decided today to post-pone until next year related proposals for introducing a new unit of account for agricultural trade based more closely on the market rates of national

State stakes in Montedison still under review

Rome, Oct 27.—Government proposals for a holding company to group state participa-tions in Montedison are still being debated, parliamentary sources said here today. Signor Amonio Bisaglia, Signor Antonio Bisaglia, Minister for State Industry, has pur forward proposals for a privately constituted company, called Sogam, which would manage the state holdings of ENI and IRI in Montedison.

But left-wing politicians, with the support of some Christian Democrats, want a public con-cern, Finmont, to be set up to take over the stakes altogether. On the decision for the future of the state shares in Montedison and revision of the Montedison control syndicate hangs Montedison's request for a much-needed cash injection through a 392,000m lire (about £250m) capital increase.

The control syndicate now

The control symucate now combines private and public participations, totalling 32.2 per cent of Montedison capital. The state groups ENI and IRI together hold 16 per cent, while a further four per cent is held on a temporary trust basis by three public credit institutions.

Textile imports ruling urged

Interim arrangements for the import of textile goods into the EEC generally and Britain in particular should be settled before detailed negotiations on the renewal of the Gatt Multi-Fibre Arrangement begin, it was advocated yesterday.

The British Importers Con-

federation has sent a telegram to Mr Tran Van Thinh, the principal EEC degociator, urging him to settle the interim arrangements quickly. The or-ganization said that the position was becoming critical and unless the interim arrangements for next year were settled soon trade in textiles, which was sub-ject to quota restrictions, would be paralysed.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Evidence that US steel industry is more resilient than its critics claim

From Anthony Cockerili and

Jonathan Aylen Sir, It is hard to recognize the real United States steel industry in Mr Frank Vogl's article of October 24. Hard hit as it has been by the recession and imports, the industry has displayed considerable resilience. In the first quarter of 1977, four of the leading six steelmakers, showed net profits. Taken together, the overall net profits of the six amounted to \$20m (about £11.3m)

Whatever may have happened to investment, the industry con-tinues to achieve an impressive level of labour productivity in comparison with most of its major competitors, as the table (for the peak year of 1973)

Japan USA

Liberal Party and profit-sharing

From Mr Mark Tavener Sir, May I be permitted to reply to Mr B. A. Cole's letter of October 26, concerning problematical. profit sharing?

Mr Cole is perfectly right to begin by asserting that there is little in common between the policies of the Conservative and Liberal Parties. The contrast is between one party whose conversion to some form of profirsharing has been halfof full employment need not hearted and belated, and one whose commitment is consistent and of long standing. Mr Cole's main error con-

cerps his definition of the purpose of profit-sharing. The Liberal Party's support for profit-sharing does not arise from a belief that, as Mr Cole puts it, "Everyone has a right to more income than at present "

It begins with the conviction, surely universally shared, that Britain's industrial performance has been, and remains, poor, and that conthict between capital and labour has been a major reason. Anything which tends to reduce this conflict is there-fore desirable. For Liberals, profit-sharing is part of an overall package designed to reduce conflict in industry by involving workers, practically and financially, in their com-

Mr Cole's dismissal of Liberal flexibility makes little sense. He admirs that the ICI scheme is successful, but that tt is not applicable to all com- London SWIA 2HE. panies. Quite so. The same can October 26.

striking distance of that in Japan (which is probably exagsecared by the exclusion from the total number of employees of certain classes of workers); 22 per cent below the West German level, and less then one half the rate of the crisisridden British industry.

The penalty which American producers suffer in employment costs per tonce of steel produced arises primarily from the lower wage rates which the European and Japanese producers are able to pay and from the relative over-

industry invested \$11,000m, or 11 times net profins. Research here indicates that most of this went into the modernization and expansion of existing works West Germany 14.1 rather than into the construc-france 16.5 tion of new greenfield " UK 23.6 plants. With the sharp decline in demand since 1973 and the high cost of building new required to produce one tonne

be said of share ownership plans, the implementation of which in companies who are not publicly quoted is highly None of this, however, is an

ergument against profit-sharing per se. Mr Cole's arguments on this scope are really very weak. He contends that sbare ownership would be "inflationary". So are excessive wase claims (whether in themselves, or by obliging the Government detain us here). Surely a share in profits of some kind, which. wever conceived is bound to fluctuate with a company's performance, is more likely to be conducive to economic realism

than to runaway inflation? It is true, in a sense, that profit-sharing will be "socially divisive and discriminatory.". It will clearly favour the profitable. Since it is on our profitable industry that we all ultimately depend it is right that this should be so. It may even be the case that profitable in the case that the case the case the case the case that the case the case the case that the case that the case the case that the case the case sharing will tend to a shift in manpower from unprofitable industries to profitable ones. Is that really such a bad thing? Profit-sharing is not a Uto-

pian solution. Not, at any rate for the Liberal Party, is it a hastily conceived electoral slogan. It is a step—and a long overdue step—in the direction of economic realism and industrial harmony. Yours faithfully, MARK TAVENER.

Policy Division.
The Liberal Party Organisation, 1 Whitehall Place, Westminster,

of finished steel was within an effective strategy. Nevertheless, investment has undoubtedly been reduced by low profits and the difficulties of raising external finance, a constraint which has not always been felt equally by other nations with access to Government-guaranteed funds:

The stability of employment during the recession is in part the result of an agreement reached with the United Steelworkers of America in 1973 to reduce employment fluctuations in return for an undertaking to refrain from strike action over and from the relative over-valuation of the dollar, at least contain costs, some of the until recently, rather than from incipient inefficiency. incipient inefficiency.

Between 1970 and 1975, the works, concentrating productindustry invested \$11,000m, or industry invested \$11,000m, or ability to do this must be ability to do this must be attracting envious glances from the British Steel Corporation. Yours faithfully.
ANTHONY COCKERILL. JONATHAN AYLEN. Department of Economics, University of Salford, Salford M5 4WT.

Teaching engineering design

October 26.

From Professor D. Howe Sir, I would like to endorse Professor Chisholm's comments (October 26) on the problems of teaching engineering design within the standard three-year undergraduate course. It is certainly true that in those countries where engineering design education is most successful it is only introduced into the curriculum after the student has been well grounded in the necessary fundamentals. Effective teaching of engineering design demands a substanallocation of course time and is preferably supervised by

field of engineering. Chisholm As Professor Chisholm suggests, one solution to the difficulty is the extension of the normal undergraduate course. There is, however, an alternative. This is to regard engineering design as properly a post-graduate activity. There are a number of advantages in this approach.

The course can be specifically engineering application and the work is much more easily intepractising engineers. Further the student's suitability for such a course can be more accurately judged, especially if there is a period of full-time industrial experience between the first degree and post-graduate work. D. HOWE. ssor of Aircraft Design,

College of Aeronautics, Cranfield Institute of Technology, Bedford



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Notes

1. Turnover is the revenue derived from the coal, chrome and timber operations of the subsidiary companies.

2. The consolidated profit after tax includes investment realisation amounting to R96 000 (1976—R212 000) equivalent to 1.3 cents per share (1976—2.9 cents per charal for the year

share) for the year.
Final Dividend No. 76

A final dividend of 65 cents per share has been declared in terms of the dividend notice published herewith.

Copies of this report will be despatched to all registered shareholders from the office of the transfer secretaries in Johannesburg and of the United Kingdom registrars and transfer agents as soon as possible. The company's annual financial statements will be posted at the end of November, 1977. Registered Office: 15th Floor, A. C. PETERSEN (Chairman) Directors

63, Fox Street, A. M. ROSHOLT 27th October, 1977. Declaration of Dividend No. 76 Notice is hereby given that Dividend No. 76 of 65 cents per share has been declared in South African currency as a final dividend in respect of the year ended 30th September, 1977 payable to members registered in the books of the company at the close of business on 25th November, 1977 and to persons presenting coupon No. 77 detached from hearer share warrants. The dividends on share warrants to bearer will be paid in terms of a notice to be published later by the company's secretaries in London.

in London.

The rate of exchange at which the dividend will be converted into United Kingdom currency for payment of the dividend from the offices of the company's secretaries in London will be the telegraphic rate of exchange between Johannesburg and London ruling on the first business day after 26th November, 1977 on which foreign currency dealings are transacted.

The register of members will be closed from 26th November to 4th December, 1977 inclusive, and dividend warrants will be posted to shareholders on or about 3rd January, 1978.

Where applicable non-resident shareholders' tax of 15 per cent will be deducted from the dividend.

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Gilts one year later

The gilt edged market celebrated an anniversary yesterday. On October 27, 1976, the gilt market hir its 1976 "low" in the wake of the Government's moves earlier in the month to raise interest rates to a record level. The FT Government Securities Index slipped to 55.81.

Last night that index stood almost 40 per cent higher at 77.75, having almost reached the 80 level at the end of September. In a number of stocks, investors lucky enough to have picked up stock close to last year's low have done still better, all of which nay be delightful for the investors themelves but may well not be such sweet music o the monetary authorities.

The reason why the authorities may not ne quite so happy is very simply that large numbers of people did in fact manage to my large quantities of stock when prices vere close to the bottom. They may now e giving serious consideration to taking rofits as they start to pass the one year olding mark that entitles them to take their rofits free of capital gains tax.

It may, of course, be that many of those ho bought stocks on 15-16 per cent yields ere simply making long-term investments or income. But for the moment the future of ne £1,100m personal sector investment in ilts in the final quarter of 1976 remains n unknown factor in the authorities' proections, and there are already some signs nat last autumn's buyers are now starting take their profits in the lower coupon

Meanwhile, the gilt market went modestly atter yesterday on the back of the lower an forecast PSBR targets and the mediate exhaustion of the long "tap". ate in the day it lost part of those gains ,1 thoughts that there might be a new tap" today, the better than expected inited States trade deficit and the BOC . velopments.

Beneath the surface, however, most of the ty was spent pondering the future of the overnment's foreign exchange strategy and aking endless attempts to find nuances in e Chancellor's speech and his replies to sestions on Wednesday. The idea that the overnment might simply let the money apply growth move above its ceiling for a w months to frighten off foreign inflows

as generally regarded as unlikely. For the present, the key remains the size ad composition of the overseas inflows and e authorities' ability to continue shifting cess short term liquidity into longer term struments—a task that could become much ore difficult if, as some believe, the nature the inflows are now changing from investent inflows to (multinational) corporate flows finding their way straight into M1.

Yesterdan's arnouncement that merger

ks were off between Bath & Portland! d Fairclough Construction brought a avv shakeout in the shares and no doubt oved costly jor some short-term operators. It also added two more names to the fast owing list of bid or merger failures to me into the public eye since the intro--ction in April of the new early disclosure de drafted jointly by the Takeover Panel d The Stock Exchange. The question whether the new rules, by requiring blication of bid talks at a much earlier ige than was previously the case, have ided to mean a higher incidence of rger failures. Merchant bankers tend think not. There has always been a th failure rate, and the only difference that the failures are now exposed to the blic view where previously they were not. Vonetheless, there is a widespread feeling it the new rules have created problems some cases, not least being that closure has actually precluded adequate cussion of takeover approaches.

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concerted attack on investment trusts is w under way from nationalized pension _ ids. Having been disappointed by losing ndard Trust to the Prudential, British il is back again with a near £80m offer

Edinburgh and Dundee Investment pany, which has been duly rejected. hat rejection left The British Investment ist little option but to reject in turn its er of nearly £100m from the coal board sion fund. There are differences between portfolios of the two trusts, BIT is in perty and brings its management with ut comparisons are much easier between sts than between most companies, and on-face of it, the British Rail offer for nburgh and Dundee looks considerably e generous than the coal men's offer for

Both trusts wish to get as close to asset value on a going concern basis as possible.
This takes off prior charges at market value, excludes contingent tax liabilities and makes no deduction for potential surrender on transfer, of 25 per cent of the dollar

Anyone who thinks such a valuation unrealizable should refer to Guardian Royal Exchange's £40m offer for Metropolitan Trust in 1973 when just such a deal was done. Discounts in the market on going concern values are far different now, but the narrowing from a third to around 27 per cent that took place a month ago has been maintained, and with agreement, a bidder can offer something very close to the underlying assets without getting less

shares than were paid for. Meanwhile, institutional investors in both trusts will be voting with their feet to invest elsewhere in the sector. Yesterday both trusts were being quoted at discount on the

estimated offer prices.

The danger is that by holding out for the last penny or so per share the pension funds might get fed up and retire from the scene leaving future equity investment to painful,

Buying of an investment trust is only worthwhile if it is less trouble than going into the market. If pension funds disappear, the chances of the current discount on asset values being further reduced will disappear, and the sector will again lose its attractions. Its total assets are around £6,000m, out of that the £180m involved in these bids is small but not necessarily insignificant, for if a narrowing of discounts is likely from more bids, a good slice of this money could be reinvested. Investment Trusts were originally set up for the small investor, and better performance would perhaps tempt him back, which would be good for the market as a

British Rail is offering 100 per cent of net asset value minus prior charges at par, tax liabilities and any termination agreement with the managers, Baillie Gifford, but is not deducting the dollar premium surrender as it should receive a concession from the revenue. The offer could possibly be bettered both from a reduction of tax and stamp duty with agreement. It seems a shame that agreement is missing. But the coal men should improve tueir 98 per cent of asset value offer to 100 per cent.



● It-is hard to imagine a United Kingdom clearing bank caring a rights issue as long as the present lowly level of interest rates continues to put such severe pressure on banking profits. Irish banks, too, have had to contend with almost as steep a decline in rates, but it is clear that their profits are holding up much better than those their British counterparts. Allied Irish Banks, the second biggest in Ireland, and whose chairman is Mr Edmond O'Driscoll (above), has comfortably surpassed outside forecasts with an interim profit improvement from £9.3m to £16.7m and has duly accompanied its results with a two-forseven rights is ne at 114p to raise £17m.

Unlike the United Kingdom clearers, the Irish banks have at least been ablecto boast useful volume growth to offset the deterioration in interest rates. The Irish economy has been growing at around 6 per cent annually and Allied Irish's loan book has grown from 1759m to £834m between March and September. But the Irish banks have also enjoyed the benefits of a much higger involvement in the gilt-edged market than United Kingdom banks, which relates largely to the tougher liquidity ratios they have had to observe. In Allied Irish's case this has been especially pronounced because of the big inflows of deposits to its subsidiaries during the bank strike last

So while second half results will be down on the first, the bank can still talk of a "very satisfactory" jull year, which holds out hopes of £32m against £23.2m last time. and the only real problem for the shares. up 5p to 147p vesterday, is that on past experience it could take some time for the rights issue to be absorbed.

John Best

The Canadians wrap up against a harsh economic winter

perhaps its worst economic crisis since the Great Depres-sion and, with winter coming. there is no reason to expect any fundamental improvement

Unemployment is now at 8.3 per cent and inflation has been getting worse instead of better. Economic growth is sagging. Uncertainty caused by the threat of Quebec's secession from the confederation is having a dampening effect on

economic prospects, although this factor is difficult to measure. Quebec itself has been hurt by the departure of a number of businesses—preci-sely, how many seems to be a matter of some argument between the provincial govern-ment and others—for Ontario and the United States.

Recognizing that the present extraordinary situation in Canada demands an extra-ordinary response, the Govern-ment recently presented the Canadian Commons with what amounted to a mini-budget. It contained measures aimed at tiding the economy over the coming winter, a particularly severe time of year in Canada from the standpoint both of weather and of unemployment.

The measures include a per-The measures include a personal income tax cut of up to \$100 (about £51) for low and middle-income taxpayers. This will come into effect in January and February of 1978 and is designed for maximum seasonal impact \$700m (£254m) sonal impact, \$700m (£354m) is expected to be released for injection into the economy.

The measures also include a

further \$150m for federal jobcreation programmes, bringing the total in the fiscal year to \$1,000m, and a \$100m tax credit scheme to encourage job creation by businesses.

Mr Jean Chrétien, the Finance Minister, in his first important pronouncement since taking over the finance House that the measures were meant to stimulate demand and put men to work without in-creasing the danger of infla-

ion. Just as important in the longer term however, was Mr Chretien's announcement that wage and price controls will be gradually lifted over a oneyear period beginning on April 14 next year. This should help the business community regain some of the spirit and confi-

A package of special measures is being introduced by the Canadians to help the country through its worst crisis

since the Great Depression US Cents per Canadian \$

dence it has lacked through not knowing just when and how the controls, imposed two years ago, would end.
The result could be more in-

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tempo of business activity all Although business went along with the restraints programme for a year or so, it has recently joined organized labour in total opposition to it; Labour always felt that the controls discriminated against the wage earner. Business has come to feel that they srifle come to feel that they stifle incentive and complicate plan-

Chretien attempted to show that the controls have done more-or-less what the Government intended in curb-

The rise in the consumer price index over a period of 12 price index over a period of 12 months was recently running at above 8 per cent although there were indications that prices might soon begin moderating again. At this point, according to the timetable which M Pierre Trudent April Minister Park deau, the Prime Minister, gave the Canadian people when con-trols were imposed in October, 1975, the yearly advance should be about 6 per cent. As for next year, when, according to the original pro-

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jections, inflation should dip to 4 per cent, even Mr Chretien is now predicting no better than 6 per cent.

It takes some optimism to believe, as the Finance Minister predicted, that economic grawth will reach 5 per cent

next year, though this level is required just to keep unem-ployment from getting worse. Not many months ago the Government was forecasting 4 per cent growth for this year, but it has since toned its forecast down to 2 per cent and there are those who believe it will take a miracle to accomplish even that.

The magic ingrediers that the Government is counting on

to bring Canada out of its dol-drums—or, as Mr Trudeau says, its "malaise"—is harder work by the people, combined with lower expectations.

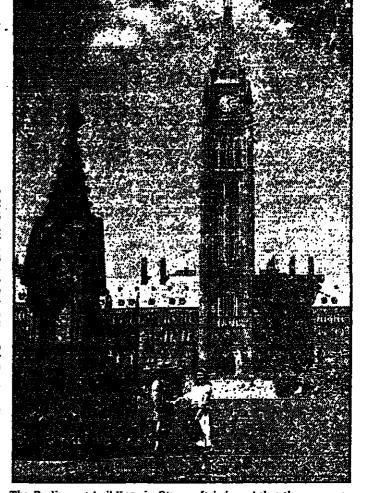
"Progress will be slow and it will require hard work, more productivity, lower expectations and greater responsibiltations and greater responsion-tity on the part of all Cana-dians", Mr Chretien told the House. He told a press con-ference later: "Our competitive position is deteriorating every He was alluding to the fact

that Canadian production costs have got out of line with those in the United States, Canada's principal foreign market and also its chief competitor on world markets. This is serious, considering that nearly one third of

-Canada's income comes from

exports.

Mr Chrétien drove the point home by noting that in his own Quebec constituency of St-Maurice, east of Montreal, paper mill workers were getting \$1.50 an hour more than those in the south of the United States.



The Parliament buildings in Ottawa. It is hoped that the measures announced there for stimulating the economy will bring back a more relaxed climate during the coming year.

in the manufacturing capital sector were 2 per cent above those in the United States, productivity was 20 per cent lower. Canadians, he is fond of saving, must learn to live within their means. "We must produce more if we want to continue to consume as much."

Two factors should serve to make Canadian products more competitive and thus help the process of economic recovery. One is that wage settlements have in fact been brought down, from an average of per cent in the first half of 1975 to 8.5 per cent in 1977. This has already been reflected in an improved trade balance, despite Mr Chretien's reference to a deteriorating competitive circuston. petitive situation.

The other is the recent decline of the Canadian dollar on world money markets, At one point it dipped below 90 cents to the American dollar, its low-est level since the 1930s.

This is a mixed blessing, however, since it tends to aggravate inflation by increasing the cost of the goods that Canada imports and also reflects a certain lack of international confidence in Canada and its economy. Such a lack of confidence can burt a Similarly, Mr Trudeau bas country so dependent on noted that while Canadian foreign trade

It is, of course, too early to predict whether the measures introduced by Mr Chrétien will produce the desired effect. A will depend, as usual, on the pace of economic reco-very in the United States, since Canada cannot be unaf-fected by the economic trends of its giant neighbour.

A lot will also depend of the Quebec situation, which is filling the minds of foreign investors and Canadians alike with doubts about the fiture of Canada. As Mr Chretien put People are concerned about

whether Canada will remain a united country and that conmic difficulties. . . Until separatism is defeated, it will impede the economic process not only of Quebec, but of the rest of the country as well."

Assuming that the country hangs together-and Mr Chretien for one said that he is sure outlook may be rosier than the short-term reality. That is because of the stimulus which construction of the multipil-lion-dollar Alaska-Canada pipeline through the Yukon and Alberta will give to the

Knitting together the strands of textile research

their size, in times of economic difficulties. When, as in the most advanced and the least ad-case of textiles and clothing, vanced. dustry consists of small manufacturers who have no research and development resources of their own, the problem is

accentuated.

Promoting the application of research and development in the technologically undernourished sectors of the textile. clothing, footwear, leather and related machinery industries is difficult, according to the Government's Garment and Allied Industries Requirements Board. This board, appropriately abbreviated to GARB, is one of a number of joint industry/ government groups operating

under the auspices of the De-partment of Industry, whose job is to establish priorities for research and development in different sectors of industry. One of the trends in the One of the trends in the Department of Industry's drive to modernize British industry. actively promoted by Dr Dun-can Davies, who recently moved from ICI to become the depart-ment's chief scientist, is that of technology transfer—to make the most of research and devo-lopment that has already been carried out by encouraging its dissemination as widely as

possible.
This does not mean that the

development advanced concepts are being mental factors such as noise, facturer of men's trousers and low priority neglected; but it recognizes safety and toxic hazards; evalues suits; under WIRA auspices tends to take a low priority neglected; but it recognizes for most companies, whatever (and is trying to correct) the (and is trying to correct) the wide differences between the

> in advanced textiles research, the appropriate research associations (RAs) are well placed to serve the needs of industry. They include the Fabric Care RA, Harrogate; Hosiery and Allied Trades RA, Nottingham; Lace RA, Nottingham; Lambeg Industrial RA, Lisburn, co Antrim; Shirley Institute, Manchester; and Wool Industries RA, Leeds.

Changes

These six have come together as the Textile Research Council, one of whose main tasks is to harmonize and coordinate all textile and clothing projects funded partly by industry and partly by the Department of Industry Recent changes in the shape, size and structure of the textile industry has been reflec-ted in the research backing which the RAs provide for the

The council's programme has included many projects in three main aspects of textile produc-tion (raw materials; fabrics; and coloration, drying and finishing); garments; quality control; technological and control; technological and economic assessments; environ-

ation of textiles and consumer protection.

production and computer-aided has been substantially inening and curring are included in the garments projects. A lay-plan is the arrangement of garment pat-tern pieces on a length of cloth so that as little cloth as posaided method reported in the council's last annual report gave a cloth use of almost 80 per cent for a typical set of

garment pieces.

The accurate cutting as well as planning of materials should be amenable to automation by computer-based techniques, so accessing productivity and increasing productivity and reducing costs. One govern-ment-backed example is the development of a computerguided laser machine which would be able to cut out the cloth of a man's suit in only two minutes. In this the knowledge of an

Atomic Atomic Energy Authority laboratory is being tapped; and GARB hopes to encourage a British company to manufacture the system
With Department of Industry

support, a model clothing factory project has been mounted to measure the benefits and performance of important tech niques and procedures in an actual factory. The first fac-tory chosen was that of a manunew techniques have been introduced and their effective-

"A major speculative project which, if successful, could have a profound effect on the industry is the development of a high-speed weaving technique GARB noted in its last annual Behind this brief sentence lies

an exciting development at Cambridge Consultants, which it is hoped will overcome some of the inherent limitations of weaving process and make it more competitive with the speed and flexibility of

Adaptable

For various technical reasons, knitting machines (which are, in general, used with synthetic fibres) are more productive, re-liable, economical and adaptable than weaving machines (still based mainly on the traditional cotton and woollen fibres). Some advances in weaving

looms have been made, including machines which use air-jet and water-jet techniques to increase productivity, but their effectiveness is limited. A speed increase was obtained when single-phase designs gave way to multi-phase machines but the

productivity of the first-genera-tion multi-phase looms is still

rotaction. introduced and their effective. The Cambridge development Automated knitted garment ness monitored. Productivity is aimed at what could become roduction and computers ded has been substantiable in the first of a second generation of multi-phase looms. It uses original invention as coeumatic shedding which, according to Mr Gray, project leader, tially tially replaces the recip-rocating motions of conventional shedding mechanisms with rotary motions and air jets. restricting reciprocation to just the warp yarn and fabric faster operation is

possible. Mr Gray quotes United States sources which indicate that weaving is likely to continue to be the major process for cleth production in the 1980s, despite earlier forecasts that kuitting and non-wovens would be

"Perhaps this trend", he said,
together with the eventual
successful development of the first major British weaving invention this century, will ensure that the United Kingdom reestablishes itself as a force to be reckoned with in the world weaving machinery market, now

worth about £500m annually."

Kenneth Owen Technology Correspondent

Business Diary: Dropping the pilot • First class, Post Office

tical metaphors were given exhaustive—for some exsting—airing when Sir ald McIntosh spoke to the don region of the National eration of Building Trades sloyers yesterday. Sir Ronald o step down as Director eral of the National Econo-Development Office before end of the year.

om Boucher, the builders' ident, kicked off, by re-ng that Sir Ronald had said the Neddy craft was in I shape. In a style beloved politicians, he went on: "It t be our hope that as a ilt, the ship of state, having thered the storm and owly escaped the rocks will held on course and make er progress in calmer

r Ronald, a former Merit Navy navigating officer, not let his opportunity pass. here had been times in last few years when he had more like a "navigation on." This meant "marking middle ground in a dangerchannel-pointing the way ifer water, able to flash the al You are in danger'powerless to stop the ship stranding if the crew are on self-destruction or argu-in the galley when they ild be on the bridge."

e waded still deeper into muddied waters of recent tics: "The ship of state has he last year or so slipped



Sir Ronald McIntosh

times with only an inch or two beneath her bottom—into waters

He continued: "This condition has been belped no doubt by more reliable charts kindly provided by international hydrographers and by the arrival of a relief captain with, perhaps, a surer knowledge of tides and currents than his predecessor."
Eut what is Sir Ronald's next port of call? A senior job with merchant bankers S. G. Warburg has been mentioned as a

and won't say until his succes-

past the worst dangers-somesmoothed by the rimely pump-ing of oil."

Sir Ronald was not sayingsor is named. He hopes that that

hearted advice for the Government should it choose to advertise for a successor: "The advertisement should carry a rider—'Only masochists need

The much-maligned Post Office yesterday received a handsome accolade from the Royal Society of Arts for puring a brave face on things. was among seven recipients the society's 1977 presidential awards for design There were murmurs of dis-

sent from some who talked about quality of service, but the judges, chaired by Sir Ernest Goodale, were adamant that in design, at least, the Post Office was setting an example to the country's public institutions. It was, indeed, among the foremost patrons of free-lance designers in the country. Post Office concern for design evidently goes back a long way. Rowland Hill called in three Royal Academicians to advise on the design of the Penny Black; and the classic telephone kiosk was the brain-child of Sir Giles Gilbert Scott, who was also responsible for

the House of Commons. The Post Office, it seems, was nor to blame for an inheritance dull neo-Georgian post offices and relephone changes, provided Ministry of Works. recently begun to Meanwhile, he has some light- only

ordinate the huge range of work involved in its operations.

That the new telephone directories do not fit the slots in the old phone boxes is just one of the transitional problems.

Hard-pressed speakers at both private and public functions have seized upon Sir Richard Dobson's misfortune at the hands of a tape-recordist with alacrity. Yesterday it was the rum of Lord Home of the Hirsel—the jormer Sir Alec Douglas-Home. He brought light relief to a rather staid Bankers Trust luncheon in Birmingham when he said: "I am impervious to the use of unofficial recording instru-ments, because I no longer have any offices to resign

John Sowden, chairman of Costain, the construction group, wishes he could do a few more deals like one involving buying the lease of part of the Staf-ford Hotel in St James's,

Costain acquired the lease just after the 1939-45 War when, in a London hit by an hotel famine, it needed to find accommodation regularly for overseas customers in town to talk construction business.

The hotel had been commanby the The hotel had been comman-s. It has decred for various official purposes during the war. The lease

was for 99 years with no reviews, involving an annual sum "a little bit less than a moderate pay packet". Late last year, when Costain was buying the freehold of

the adjoining property, which forms an extension to the Stafford, there seemed to be a case for buying the freehold of the original building too, which it did at a very reasonable price. Why not have hung on to such a lease? The Sowden philosophy on that was that Costain had the money, the price was right and "bow cheap is cheap?" The answer there, one might cuess, is in the region of £100,000.

Wayne Rieker, a 55-year-old Californiao is in Eritain trying to sell a new quality control aid to management. He frankly admits that he punched the idea from the

Japanese and like mest successful management aids it is endearingly simple: You persuade groups of workers to meet for one hour a week purely voluntarily—but in the company's time—to discuss quality failings and recommend solutions.

So what's new about that? 'e asked him yesterday. Quality control committees, works councils—call them what you will-have been at work here for years with varying degrees of success.

" Quality

(QCC) need channelling in the first place with training schemes and manuals, and that's where I come in. Today six million Japonese workers are taking part in QCC", he said.
"I installed it at Lockheed three years ago and obtained

vestment involved". Rieker was employed by Lockheed for 35 years, latterly as a manufacturing director of its ballistic missiles division. So convinced is he that the volun tary circles idea is a winner that in January he retired early and formed his own consultancy

a six-to-one return on the in

PA Management, one of the more down-to-earth British consultancies, has just taken out licence in the United Kingdom It is talking in terms of QCC's costing between £5,000 and £15.000 to install in a company with a payroll of 500.

It has high hopes of selling it to British motor manufac-

The Reverend Canon Eric Saxon, rector of St Ann's. Manchester, points out that income tax returns from Anglican cleren throughout the country are dealt with by HM Inspector of Taxes, East 1 District, Parson's Estate, Washington, Tyne and Wear. He feels the address would be even more access. appropriate if parsons actually control circles had estate.

Leisure & General Holdings Limited

The Outlook for 1978

that we can look forward to further significant increases in turnover and profit for the year to 30th April 1978. We are continuing our programme of internal growth and development, but, at the same time, we are looking for further opportunities which will allow us to take advantage of the improving climate in the Tourist and Leisure Industries.23

John Chapple, Chairman

The Results for 1977

	Year to 30th April 1977	Year to 30th April 1976	
	£000	£'000	
Group Turnover	24,246	22,480	
Profit before tax	925	732	
Shareholders' Funds	3,674	3,367	
Net Dividend per share	1.\$38p	1.735p	
Dividend cover	3.3	3.0	
Earnings per share	6.4p	5. 2 p	
		F	

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Budget fillip

for Fidelity after slip in

opening half

The Chancellor's boost to consumer spending has come ar just the right time for Fidelity Radio, one of the companies

most likely to benefit from the mini-Budget fillip.

In the first six months profits slipped by almost 5 per cent, but Mr Jack Dickman, chairman, forecasts that the group will be more than able to recover this short fall in the second half.

And underlining this con-fidence in the company, the market marked the shares up

In the period to September 30 last, Fidelity rurned in a pre-tax profit of £490,000 against a previous £512,000 on

a turnover which slipped from £7.5m to £7.1m.

cushion it from the full impact The group has also increased

exports, particularly to Europe and Nigeria, in the period. Overseas sales rose from £976,000 to £1.5m and this

should increase further in the second half as seasonal Christ-

mas buying pushes up the cumber of units bought.

3p to 88p yesterday.

By Our Financial Staff

Scotcros buys Remy in first stage of European drive

port equipment group Scotcros is planning a major expansion in Europe. This comes with the news of the purchase of about 80 per cent of Remy Group of France in a deal worth 9.2m francs, about £1.07m.

Mr Alan December 19.20 stores and stores of the purchase of the purch

Mr Alan Devereux, managing Mr Alan Devereux, managing director of Scottros, said that the Remy deal was the first result from the setting-up of Scottros Europe SA in Brussels. Further expansion opportunities on the Continent would be sought. A paperal consebe sought. A natural consequence of this drive would be that a "significant proportion" of the group's assets and earnings would arise outside

The Remy Group, near Paris, takes in six companies and a manufacturing range of metal and plastic Closures and packaging for the food and drink is being appointed to the Scot-industry. Remy's net assets at cross heard. At the same time industry. Remy's net assets at December 31 last were some 12m francs and pre-tax profit sident of the Remy group.



Mr Alan Devereux, managing director of Scotcros.

cros board. At the same time Mr Devereux will become pre-

Remy manufactures a range of 600 products supplied to some 4,000 customers, and licensing or technical agreements in Spain, Portugal and South America. The company, which is a major supplier to the French wine industry, brings with it an important connexion to Scotcros's wine distributor, J. Deans of Glasgow.

The 9.2m france consideration The 9.2m francs consideration is to be satisfied by an initial payment of 7.8m francs followed by three deferred annual payments totalling 1.4m francs. Funding of the deal takes in 3.4m francs to be bought in the investment currency mar-ket cum premium, 4.4m francs as a joint loan facility from Credit General SA de Banque, Credit General SA de Banque, Brussels, and the Bank of Scotland, and a joint guarantee from Credit General de Banque and the Bank of Scotland for the deferred element of 1.4m

The transaction has been by the relevant

Derritron loses battle for BEC

ment has come down firmly on of an increased offer. the side of the three directors fighting for control of British pegging with a 30p p assuring them victory in the hard fought fight against Derritron.

By referring the Derritron bid to the Monopolies Commission yesterday Mr Roy Hattersley, Prices Minister, effectively killed it off, leaving the way clear for the BEC triumvirate to buy-out share-

However, it appears that it is the bolders who have fared worst by this Westminster more. For Mr Tony Rudd, Derritron chairman, revealed

Group profit before tax

holders was marginal.

Directorate

171 Jacob Mare Street.

26th October, 1977

both dates inclusive.

Registered Address: 171 Jacob Mare Street,

26th October, 1977.

Capital Commitments

Land Harvest Company (Pty) Ltd

THE IMPERIAL COLD STORAGE

AND SUPPLY COMPANY LIMITED

(Incorporated in the Republic of South Africa)

INTERIM REPORT 1977 AND DIVIDEND ANNOUNCEMENTS

ended 31st August. 1977 were as follows:

Group profit after tax
Profit attributable to outside share-

Profit attributable to shareholders of

The Imperial Cold Storage and Supply Company Ltd.

The unaudited results of the Group for the six months

As the income of the holding company consists mainly of

Group profits improved in the half year under review resulting mainly from increased turnovers. After providing for

Current economic conditions are adversely affecting con-

ed taxation and the interest of minority shareholders.

interest and dividends derived from subsidiary companies in

the Group, separate figures are not given for the holding

the improvement in profits attributable to the company's share

sumer demand and following a good agricultural season. indications are that there is over-production of nearly all the

food products the Group handles. In the circumstances margins

The aggregate of capital commitments authorised by the directors amounts to R13 777 000 (1976—R12 110 000) of which R4 396 000 (1976—R3 406 000) had been contracted for as

The company acquired, with effect from 1st September, 1977, the 50 per cent interest held by Henry Jones (IXL—SA) Limited in Land Harvest Company (Pty) Limited at a total consideration of R1 750 000 of which R625 000 was for the shares, being their normal value, and R1 125 000 for the loan account. The aurotest consideration is payable in the same acquaint the same of the same consideration is payable in the same consideration in the same

stalments, interest free, and Land Harvest Company (Pty)

It is with much regret that we have to advise shareholders

An interim dividend of 3 (three) cents (1976-3c) has

I. J. D. Wentzel, Chairman.

By order of the Board

Transfer Secretaries:

Johannesburg 2001.

Park Street. Ashford, Kent TN24 8EO

Consolidated Share Registrars Ltd.. Libertas, 62 Marshall Street,

Charter Consolidated Services Ltd.,

Secretary.

W. H. Neate, Managing Director.

of the decease of Dr. F. J. van Billion on the 14th October, 1977. His wide experience, insight and sound judgment will be

been declared on the company's ordinary shares, payable on 9th December, 1977 to shareholders registered on 11th November, 1977.

INTERIM DIVIDEND NO. 85 ON ORDINARY SHARES

Notice is hereby given that in interim dividend of 3 (three) cents per share (1976—3c) has been declared on the

company's ordinary shares, payable to shareholders registered at the close of business on 11th November, 1977. Dividend

warrants will be posted on or about 9th December, 1977.

The dividend is declared in the currency of the Republic of South Africa and dividends payable from the office of the company's London Transfer Secretaries will be paid in United

Kingdom currency at the rate of exchange ruling on 12th November, 1977. The effective rate of non-resident shareholders'

tax where applicable is 13.575 per cent.

The ordinary share registers of the company will be closed from 12th November, 1977 to 2nd December, 1977,

INTERIM DIVIDEND NO. 77 ON PREFERENCE SHARES

(two and three quarter per cent) has been declared on the company's preference shares, payable to shareholders registered at the close of business on 25th November, 1977. Dividend warrants will be posted on or about 30th December,

of South Africa and dividends payable from the office of the company's London Transfer Secretaries will be paid in United Kingdom currency at the rate of exchange ruling on 26th Nov-

tax where applicable is 13.573 per cent.

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Notice is hereby given that an interim dividend of 23%

The dividend is declared in the currency of the Republic

Limited now becomes a wholly-owned subsidiary.

tend to be lower, while operating costs continue to rise.

am not prepared to go ahead now as it would virtually put into cold storage for four

some contention between the ment Capital, which hold more two camps as to whether a than 30 per cent of the equity, merged Derritron, BEC would are likely to accept.

5 304 000

3 051 000

561 000

4 744 000

1 832 000

2 912 000

466 000

of an increased offer.

Both groups were levelpegging with a 30p per share cash and cash equivalent offer, but Derritron were to have come back into the fray with a stepped-up 33p share and cash bid this morning.

"We intend to treble the cash of the industrial electronics size of the industrial electronics division by 1980 and the vibra-

Meanwhile the group is currently seeking laboratory approval in the United States tion test equipment sales should continue to increase," to enable it to market its products there. If this is given Shareholders will meet on November 14 to approve the —and the results will be known by the end of the year—Fidelity will begin to sell in nine West The jobs of the 140 backed ment but the two largest such their directors all the way, are holders County Bank and Industrial & Commercial Development Control which hold more

Coast states. The Fidelity order book is currently very strong, and the group could well see profits of about ??m at the year-end.

W Press 25pc ahead but no bid mooted

Takeover prospect William Scott Engine-Press, the industrial civil and stripped out. mechanical engineering contop of somebody's shapping list.
Although the group has had
no direct approach, Mr Alan
Gravelius, financial director,
refused to confirm or deny bid
rumours yesterday. "If there
had been anything to report,

Over the past week or two the share price has been gradually creeping up but yesterday, in a retreating market, it slipped 2n to close at 281p despite a 25 per cent increase in half-

against 53.2m on turnover up £62m to £92m. However been maintained a

turnover from newcomer Tames

Although giving nothing away regarding the profit con-tribution from James Scott (and the figures are due out today). Mr Gravelius disclosed that they did not "substantially alter the figures". Most divisions contributed to

the increase with both the buying a 5 per cent plus stake in the group, we would have notified the Stock Exchange. amount of work connected the North Sea oil and gas industries and is currently involved in hook ups on the Thistle and Brent fields.

The £5 billion pipeline project being mored by

fect being mooted by the Government to collect North Sea gas could help future In the six months to June 30 profits for the group, which last, the group made a stepped specializes in pipeline laying up pre-tax profit of f4m, and oil landing installations. Since June group trading has the 48 per cent increase is factory level, and the directors whittled down to 17 per cent expect to pay a maximum final after the £19m contribution to dividend at the year end.

Interim pre-tax revenue almost doubles at EPC

Almost doubled figures are reported for the half-year to April 30 by English Property Corporation, an international business in property investment

While net property investment income slipped from £20.12m to £19.35m, profits on property dealing jumped from £579,000 to £1.01m and deposit interest and other incomes rose from £1.58m to £2.44m. Interest payable is down from £19.9m to £18.17m, with the result that inet revenue before rax has jumped by 93.9 per cent to E4.63m. Net revenue attributable to the holding company is up from £677,000 to £1.17m.

Pre-tax revenue expanded from £4.26m to a record £7.45m in the 12 months to October 31,

In its half-time statement, the perties rose from £9.25m to to prime tenants.

Business appointments

Coalite board

new directors

Mr Victor Wood and Mr John

have resigned from the Charring-ton board.

A. D. Glover.

Mr Roger Boissier, managing director of Aiton, has been elected chairman of the British National Committee of the World Energy Conference.

Government nominees to the

Government nominees to the Insurance Brokers Registration Council are: Mr J. P. H. Mackay. Mr P. B. Milne, Mr D. B. Lewis, Professor R. L. Carter and Mr J. A. Halladay. British Insurance Brokers' Association nominees are: Mr Francis Perkins, Mr M. Kelsh, Mr G. Havman. Mr J. Cliff, Mr R. C. Strange, Mr C. W. Couch, Mr T. O'Connor, Mr P. N. Miller. Mr A. K. Lawson, Mr D. Grout, Mr A. K. Browning and Mr W. Whitehouse.

names two

£11.55m. This arises from the combination of the high interest rates in the United King-dom for the half-year and a larger development programme, particularly in North America.

The second-half's figures are expected to fall because of lower United Kingdom shortterm interest rates and variations in exchange rates. This trend is expected to continue in Britain and Europe because of the reduction in the volume of expenditure alloties. The trend of reducing interest rates and rising firmness in the property market in the United Kingdom should bene-

fir the corporation, the board declares. The group development programme in Brussels will be completed by the end of 1977. 'In a difficult, but improving parket" about 50 per cent of board reports that the interest the total floor space of about element on development pro-

Family sells nearly 11pc of stake in A G Stanley

Ordinary shares totalling just over a tenth of the equity of A. G. Stanley Holdings, re-Mr Victor Wood and Mr John Dowling of Charringtons Industrial Holdings, have joined the board of Coalite and Chemical Products. Mr Wood has resigned as chairman of Charringtons and has been succeeded by Mr C. E. Needham, managing director of Coalite. Mr R. Pane, a director of Coalite. Mr Martin-Bates and Mr D. Fredjohu have resigned from the Charringtailers of home decorating materials, have changed hands materials, have changed hands recently. Certain members of the Stanley family have sold 520,000 shares, or 10.98 per cent, at prices between 118p to 126 p. The shares closed yesterday at 121p. The respective holdings of the family are now: Mr M. J. Stanley, 491,062 shares (10.37 per cent). Mr G. A. Stanley, 702.889 shares (14.84 per cent) and Mrs E. E. Stanley, 250,000 shares (5.28 per cent). Mr E. H. Sharp, a managing director of Grand Metropolitan, hecomes a non-executive director of Pleasurama, succeeding Mr A. D. Glover.

per cent). TRANS-NATAL COAL TRANS-NATAL COAL
Trans-Notal Coal net profit in
September quarter of R4.44m
compared with R4.06m, while
Clydesdale (Transvaal) Collieries
made R761.000 against R774.000,
Both are in General Mining Group. E. C. G. D. BANK GUARANTEES In the year to March 31 last, the E.C.G.D's. comprehensive bonk guarantees brought forward £1,750m in post-shipment finance from the banks for exports on up to two years credit. This is a rise of 30 per cent on the previous year, reports Mr Derek

comprehensive guarantee group.

CONSOLIDATED PLANTATIONS In view of the significant fall in palm oil prices since the yearend, the chairman reports, it was fortunate that by end-August the group has contracted a "substantial proportion " of the year's estimated production at " satisfactory prices ".

Briefly

LIFEGUARD ASSURANCE Chairman says in annual state-ment that after improvements in med that after improvements in policy terms, co now has surplus £429,214 (£314,859), to be carried forward. Lifeguard will continue to meet 100 per cent of contrac-tual obligations.

SAMUEL PROPERTIES Valuation of UK properties at June 30 by Edward Erdman indicates surplus of £1.37m and incorporated in accounts. Net Assets at June 30 113p a share. Figures for 1978 should show big improvement. Fareham development mortgage repaid, and arrangements being made with bankers to extend Did101.5m loan to July 1979 on existing terms.

Stock markets

Industrial doubts curb demand

the way and to a large extent discounted market thinking turned to the industrial scene from which it presently takes

little comfort.

An initial burst of enthusiasm, which had the FT Index more than six points better by 11 am, was not sustained and prices fell back as light selling became more persistent. By the close the index was 1.4 off at 511.6.

A good part of the early buying was directed into second-line stocks but increasing uncertaintly over pay and the decision of the BOC shop stewards to continue their potentially damaging strike, were responsible for the late withdrawai and some nervous

withdrawal and some nervous selling.
The gilt-edged market also saw the bulk of its business in the first two hours when the exhaustion of the week-old long "tap" and Budget considerations brought gains at the long end of between five-eighths and threa-cuarrers. three-quarters.

Fidelity is one of the few British companies to manufac-ture all the components for its products, and the chairman thinks that this has helped to There are two theories sur-round the current strength of cash and carry wholesuler Nurdin & Peacock w. ch jumped 9p to 121p after 1 3p. The first, and more logica, is group as a natural addition to its interests. But many would not be surprised if BATs, anxious to expand its food side, was to make a move.

> These gains were held for most of the day but the BOC decision shaded prices easier after hours.

With the added complication of a weak Wall Street gold shares had another retreating session. Randfontein slipped £1.12 to £26.0, West Driefontein £1 to £17 and Hartebeest £1.50 to £9.0. There were even more to 19.0. There were even more pronounced fails among the financials with Union Corporation 20p off at 245p, De Beers Dfd 14p down to 263p, Consolidated Gold Fields 9p to 202p and Charter Consolidated where the fall was 5p to 135p.

Though well below their best levels, consumer stocks closed

levels, consumer stocks closed with modest gains. Typical were Trust Houses Forte, up 4p to 198p, Hoover "A" 5p to 410p, Comet Radio 3p to 153p, Gomme 2p to 75p and Jas

like reasons with Tavener Rut-ledge gaining 4p to 128p, George Bassett 3p to 133p and Rowntree Mackintosh 4p to 427p. Mail orders also had a good session with Grattan 6p to the good at 158p and Freemans a couple of points shead at 308p.

Well supported in foods was Associated Biscuits which closed 5p up to 96p, Spillers which re-covered some of its poise after figures and firmed to 351p, and Sainsbury which closed 3p up at 255p.

Speculative support was directed into Fairbairn Lawson once again with the shares rising 4p to 58p, Wolf Tools better by 14p to 148p and Edin-burgh & Dundee Investment on the terms from the BR Pension

There was another takeover feature to be found in the property sector where Peachey rose 2p to 78p in the hope of better terms after the lapsing of the Allied London terms, Samuel put on a penny to 93p after a return to profits.

Building industry issues featured Fairclough which dip-ped 4p to 72p after the news

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Another weak spot was to be found in Costain which was lowered 18p to 304p partially because of reports of bribery allegations over Middle East work. Johnson-Richards Tiles reacted from the previous evening speculative strength, losing 8p to 343p, but Rush & Tourking gained 4p to 98p on the potential Budget stimulus.

Among the industrial leaders Fisons slumped 14p to 378p and

Fisons slumped 14p to 378p and GKN 11p to 285p but Glazo stayed at a comparatively firm 643p on continuing hopes of a

Sharply higher profits gave a lift to the "A" shares of Simpson which closed no less than 22p to the good at 80p. Wm Press reacted 2p to 281p in spite of satisfactory figures while Fidelity Radio 3p to 88p, speculative favourite Flight Refuelling 4p to 110p and McKechnie Brothers at 87p all went better after statements.

Africa helped gold shares to to go firmer at 795p in the con-tinuing hope of a share slim-ming operation in the near future.

Reckitt & Colman shares we come down from 475p to 150p since caution towards them was indicated here last August, ahead of what turned out to be disappointing interim profits. The group, however, remains a first class holding with excellent products, geographical spread and dividend cover. A line of 250,000 was put through dividend boost and Lucas was line of 250,000 was pur through dividend boost and Lucas was line of 250,000 was pur through excited by forthcoming figures the market among a few inand ended 7p to the good at stitutions yesterday in minutes at around 446p. The worst of the reaction seems to be over.

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Latest results

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oot (1)	31.4(26.1)	0.97(1.1)	8.7 (10.5)	2.5(2.5)	11/11 (8.2)
weries ((r) —(—)	0.49(0.43)	—(—)	.0.96(0.86)	6/1 (3.0)
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Dividends in this table are shown net of tax on pence per share. Elsewhere in Business News dividends are shown on a gross basis. To establish gross multiply the net dividend by 1.515. Profits are shown pre-tax and earnings are net. a Forecast. b Loss. c Rands. d For 14 months.

McKechnie tops its forecast

By Bryan Appleyard McKechnie Brothers, the Midlands-based metals and plastics group, has bettered its own profits forecast made at the time of the £4.12m rights issue in July.

The forecast was for pre-tax profits of £15.6m but the com-pany managed £15.7m in the year to July 31 against £12.3m last year. This 28 per cent profits growth was achieved on the back of a 37 per cent growth in turnover from £109.7m to £150.6m.

At the earning level a 53 per cent share came from United Kingdom operations, 30 per cent from South Africa and 17 per cent from New Zealand.
This year Mr L. A. Milner,
the financial director, expects

the financial director, expects improvement from South Africa thanks to a return in a commission of the commission of th thanks to a return in economic confidence and renewed strength in the gold price. New Zealand, he said, was not likely to perform so well.

In the Unied Kingdom Mr.

Milner saw an improving trend led by strength on consumer goods. In addition the company still has benefits to reap at home from the intensive acquisition programme last

The cost of this programme was largely offset by the rights

Overall, Mr Milner said he expected the proportion of South African earnings and United Kingdom earnings not to change radically this year and some total profits growth.
The figures were close
enough to market expectations
to leave the shares unchanged at 85p. The total gross dividends for the year, as forecast at the time of the rights issue, are 7.5p against 6.00311p last time

Vavasseur M&AI

ordinary or preference dividends.

There is to be a reorganization of Vavasseur's capital and an offer for the 19.3 per cent of the ordinary capital of Mills not already held. When this is completed, the holding company plans to change its name to Mills & Allen International and Sheila Black will join the board. Under the terms, 100

aries not held. Foster puts the bad

times behind it

lot worse—from Foster Brothers, the outfitters with more than 700 shops which avoids "made to measure" suits—is that the group is not doing quite as well as Mr Herbert High, chairman, hoped last June. The good news which can hardly be better is that Foster is already recovering expresses. ing strongly. Pre-tax profits reached a peak £4.1m in 1975-76, slipped slightly to £3.99m the following year and then dropped from £1.66m to £1.42m in the six months to last August. But the directors expect to recover the ground lost in the second half year and profits to grow strongly after

British Anzani's £9m property sale

A £9m property sale was announced yesterday by Maid-stone-based British Anzani. It has sold about one-third of its 92-acre freehold estate at Aylesford to an unnamed pen-sion fund for £9m cash,

After the 84 per cent leap last year, Miner's profit growth is now continuing at a more more significant in the first six more significant in the second

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stately pace.
The international insurance broker reports a 24 per cent pre-tax climb to 17.4m in the six months to June 30. Brokerage income increasesd 16 per cent on restated figures to take account of year-end ex-change rates to £12.9m, while expenses rose by a similar

amount to £8.4m. With over 80 per cent of its brokerage in foreign currencies, Minet having enjoyed experiences, Minet having enjoyed experiences are fitted and the minet's dividend total was brokerage in foreign currency of a big or of the minet have been also been and the minet have bea is now seeing the reverse side

Mr J. Wallrock, chairman, said yesterday that exchange

However, the effect so far has been to bring Minet back to

its more normal pattern of growth and he still predicts a satisfactory increase over last year.
Mr Wallrock said that the

Minet now at more stately gait

group has seen no signs as yet of the predicted let up in United States business. Meanwhile the group feels that it

panies brought in £705,000 against £592,000 and underwriting agencies income rose from £664,000 to £701,000. After a tax charge of £3.82m attributable profits come out as 53.65m compared with 12.8m and stated earnings a share go up from 5.7p to 7.429 against last year's total of 12.06p.

The interim payment goes up by the maximum to make 3.155 gross together with a supplementary payment of 0.02p Miner's dividend total was

First-half figures have also should be raised by Mr Wallbeen buoyed up by Minet reading the stock market correctly, investment income climbed by adequate.

With results of the J. H. Vavasseur Group for the year to June 30 came the news yesto June 30 came the news yes-terday of the terms for the acquisition by Vavasseur of the minority interest in Mills & Allen International, Vavasseur's turnover rose from £18.61m to £22.44m, while pre-tax profits more than doubled from £1.16m to £2.62m. But there are no ordinary or preference divi-

and Sheila Black will join the board. Under the terms, 100 ordinary 5p shares in Vavaseur will become 11 new ordinaries of 50p each.
Crdinary boiders in Mills will be offered one new ordinary 50p share of Vavasseur for each of the 1.79m Mills ordinaries not held

The bad news-it could be a

The proceeds are about the book vakee of the property. It has a current amount rent roll of £820,000.

Wall St brokers Loeb and Hornblower may link

firms would create one of Wail

Streets largest concerns.

Lately, there has been a series of announcements by big brokerage houses of merger plans. This reflects the indus-try's growing difficulties in the light of a prolonged stock market slump and severe com-petition for institutional broker-see husiness after the elimpaage business after the elimma-tion of fixed rates in May, 1975. Many leading securities firms recently have noted that rising interest rates have hit

operations. Senior officials of Loeb Rhoades and Hornblower would not confirm or deny that talks have begun. However, a source close to one of the firms in-dicated that discussions have taken place. He said he could not indicate how soon any decision would be made by either firm.

Industry sources have esti-mated that Loeb Rhoades earlier this year had losses of about \$1m (about £590,000) a month, resulting mainly from trading losses, the costs of incorporating and office expan-sions. In recent months howsions. In recent months, how-ever, it has been reported as showing a small operating

Hitachi Chemicals

The Hitachi Chemical Company of Japan announces net profit for the September 30 half-year totalling 7m yen, which was down sharply by 98.5 per cent from 473m yen in the same period last year. Sales during the period were 57,100m yen, up 1.4 per cent from 56,300m

Loeb Rhoades Group and decline in Poclain's sales dur-Hornblower, Weeks, Noyes & ing the first-half to 711.4m Trask Inc, have been holding francs. This in turn had resul-talks that could lead to another red in considerable temporary red in considerable temporary large securities' industry conlay-offs in its factories. Poclain
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progressive winding-down of progressive winding-down of its activities in Canada and the United States and other restricturing measures currently under study.

St-Gobain up 54 pc

Saint-Gobain — Pont-a-Mous-son, of France, a major indust-Saint-Gobain — Pont-a-Mousson, of France, a major industrial group, reports net earnings of 434m francs (about £49.3m) for the first half of 1977. This is for the first half of 1977. Ti.is is an increase of 54 per cent over the similar period a year ago.

The company showed earnings of 471m francs for the whole of fixed-income trading

St-Gobain said that taking into account a slight decline in ;ce. the number of its shares in circulation, ret earnings per share for the first half came to 15.56 francs against 10.03 francs 15.56 francs against 10.03 francs for the first six months of 1976, and 16.90 francs for the 1976 financial year. Gross operating profit before depreciation allowances and provisions up to June 30 amounted to 2,200m francs (13.8 per cent of consolidated sales) against 1,400m francs. Cash flow totalled 1,200m francs, against 7,45m in the first half of last year.

General Motors

General Notors Corporation of Detroit says that an increase in 1977 third quarter results was achieved despite higher production start-up costs of new 1978 mid-size cars and production losses due to strikes and floods and associated ineficiencies. "These combined factors prevented net income from increosing in line with dollar saies, resulting in a decline in profit margin". period lest year. Sales during the period were 57,100m yen, up 1.4 per cent from 56,300m yen.

Poclain's heavy loss

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Poclain SA, "major European hulder of mechanical excavators and a unit of the Tenneco Group of United States reports a loss of 146m francs (about £8.5m) against \$14.90m in 1973—the previous record year. General Motors says that the expects industry passenger car sales in the 1978 model year of sales of cross and trucks including imports. In the 1977 model year reached \$14.50m in 1973—the previous record year. General Motors says that in the 1978 model year of sales of cross and trucks including imports. In the 1978 model year of sales of cross and trucks including imports. In the 1978 model year of sales of cross and trucks including imports. In the 1978 model year of sales of cross and trucks in 1978—the previous

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Americans.

This year consumer expenditure in the US will be some \$1,205,000,000,000. Even a small percentage of that makes a very attractive prize for any company willing to risk the price of entry. Yet so often the land of golden opportunity has been the graveyard of UK enterprise. One of the major reasons for failure has been the inability of many foreign companies to conform to the dictates of the American market place.

It takes an American to understand an American

When Hanson Trust decided to enter the USA in 1973, we applied exactly the same criteria as we do in any other market. We relied on native management to produce the earnings we demand from an investment. Thus acquisitions remain entirely autonomous and continue to run as before Hanson Trust's interest. Apart from rigid financial control, our American management teams have freedom to

run their American businesses the American way for the benefit of all our shareholders.

A management pool with no shallow end

Our policy of buying into basic markets with companies which have management potential has brought a gratifying degree of success. It means that not only is there a depth of expertise available to maximise every growth opportunity, it also means existing business is run very profitably. In fact, over 60% of Hanson Trust's profits were generated in the United States last year. How many other British companies do you know who've had this level of success across the Atlantic?

Foresight Saga

One last point.

It wasn't an accident that Hanson Trust chose (against all conventional patterns) to invest in the

US in 1973. It was the deliberate result of careful market and economic analysis. And while others are now following into the US market, Hanson Trust is solidly entrenched and reaping the rewards of its investment analysis and management creativity.

This depth of expertise and original business thinking is applied to every facet of Hanson Trust's operation. And that gives Hanson Trust a unique strength. Although we don't have a crystal ball and can't guarantee the future, shareholders must be reassured to know that Hanson Trust's emphasis on good management means that there will always be the expertise available to make the most of every growth opportunity.

Hanson Trust

The industrial management company where people are as valued as assets.

Columbia fines coffee shippers for hold-up

New York, O.: 27.—Colombia charged 10 of its coffee exporters with withholding 180,000 bags of green, or unroasted, coffee beans from the world market earlier this year and ordered them to pay lines equivalent to about £3m, It

was reported from Bogota.
The Colombian Government Said the exporters had signed an S82m contract with United States buyers last March when coffee prices were rising to records. In New York, however, one major coffee dealer said he did not know of such an arrangement.

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The government accused the coffee shippers of holding up their coffee-beam exports (each bag is about 154 pounds) because they hoped that prices would continue to rise. In mid-April, Colombian beams Colombian beans were being offered at a record \$3.30 a pound. However, prices later slipped and by mid-May, Colombian beans were available to the New York resole market at \$2.65 a

Colombian Government said that the exporters "specula-tive move" resulted in a build-up of coffee-bean stocks in that country at a time when some ether major producers were sell-ing all their available supplies at an average price of \$2.50 a pound.

on average price of \$2.50 a point.

Colombia is the world's second
largest coffee producer.

At present, Colombia is expecting an abundant forthcoming harvest.

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Institute marketing manager Mr Daniel Morales has said Mexico is standing firmly by the decision of other milds producers to susof other milds producers to suspend exports until world coffee prices recover.

Referring to alleged reports that Mexico had shipped coffee through Nuevo Laredo, in the state of Tamaupilas, he said in a communique that Mexico has not authorized any new sales abroad. Producers to meet: Representatives from 19 African coffee producing countries are to meet in ducing countries are to meet in Kinshasa next week for a six-day conference to review market

trends.

The countries belong to the Inter-African Coffee Organization, which will be holding its 17th general assembly from Monday to November 5, the agency said. The organization's executive board will meet on Tuesday to prepare the assembly's agenda.

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The following countries belong to the organization: Angola, Benin (formerly Dahomey). Burundi. Cameroun, Congo, Ivory Coast, Ethiopia, Gabon, Kenya, Liberia, Madagascar, Nigeria, Central African Empire, Rwanda, Sierra Leone, Tanzania, Togo, Uranda and Zaire. Uganda and Zaire.

Ivory Coast denial: The Ivory
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Board has denied overseas market
rumours that the Ivory Coast has
offered current crop coffee and
said all sales were stopped last
April following a slump to prices.
It also denied rumours that the
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Ivory Coast opened registrations for October. November and December at 167 cents cif.

Foreign Exchange

After rising early to \$1.7796, the pound went progressively lower yesterday to touch a day's "low" of \$1.7761 before closing three points better at \$1.7770. Its effective level in the currency basket essed to 62.5 from 62.5.

Business was more active than recently, with the Bank of England operating both ways on a profit-able basis, dealers reckoned, in an attempt to iron-out the "bumps". Fluctuations were wider than The dollar began on an easier

note, and was already well off the bottom when the much smaller than expected United States trade deficit for September brought a

sharp rally.

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Brussels, Oct 27.—Detailed agreement on a common fund to finance international commodity buffer stocks is possible next month but will be difficult to achieve. Mr Gamani Corea, secretary-general of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, said here. The gap in ideas between developing and industrial countries is still wide, he said.

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purchases of a moderate amount
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should have been about sufficient to meet the market's requirements.

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tionally large sum lent overnight, plus the moderate amount lent by the authorities a week ago. In addition, there was a net Treasury bill take-up to finance. bill take up to finance.

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Soviet grain sowing behind target

Washington, Oct 27.—The United States department of agriculture said that the pace of winter crop sowing in the Soviet Union is behind that of last year and forecast that the sown area of winter grains may fail to reach this year's target or equal last year's area. By October 17 the sowing of all winter crops had been completed on 39.3m bectares, more than 90 per cent of the planned than 90 per cent of the planned

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Wall Street

New York, Oct 27.-Stocks were mostly higher at the New York Stock Exchange close, but below their best levels of the session. The Dow Jones industrial average gained 5.20 to \$18.61. It was up \$\frac{1}{2}\$ points at its high for the day. Some 925 issues showed gains with 487 lower. Volume totalled 21,920,000 shares, compared with Brokers said the stock market

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Analysts said the market also responded to the report that the trade deficit in September was the lowest since May.

Brokers also noted some indication that the Fed was not tightening credit policy further Brokers added that stocks tended to pull back late in the session as investors awaited the ke money supply figures. A new expansion in the supply might lead more positively to credit lead more positively rightening, they said. to

Coffee 4 cents higher

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One interesting property which illustrates the point is a house called Camelot, in Nightingales Lane, Chalfont St Giles, Buckinghamshire. It was built in about 1936, with an addition made some six years ago, and is constructed with multi-coloured facing bricks, partly tile-hung on the upper parts.

It has two main reception rooms, a sun lounge, a main bedroom and bathroom suite and four further bedrooms and a dressing room. Interestingly, some of the rooms have a complete half circle of windows, rather than the more usual bay. Also included in the sale is a bouse is Riverade, in Netherstate Street, Clare, on the borders of Suffolk and Essex, it is a black and white "property dating from the sixteenth century building through Strutt and Parker, of Chichester. Clare, on the borders of Suffolk and Essex, it is a black and white "property dating from the sixteenth century which has some unusually good timbering. Some of the rooms have a complete half circle of windows, rather than the more usual bay. Also included in the sale is a boungalow with a sitting room and two bedrooms.

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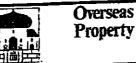
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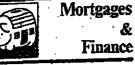
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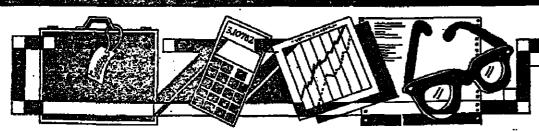
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The World of Miss Pam Ayres continues to be something of a taste that I have not quite acquired. But lots have, and she certainly has verve.

Horizon's film report on crocs and alligators is less anthropomorphic

than the blurb in Radio Times suggests. Particularly memorable is the sequence in which a Nile crocodile, one of the world's largest reptiles, gently cracks an egg to help its offspring to emerge and then carries

11.25 am, Play School. 11.55 am, Felix the Cat. 12.00, 11.55 am, Dodo. 12.00, Thames. 3.00 pm, Racing from Hay.

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And Simon—a son. Robert. JONES.—On October 25. in Ber-mula, to Elizabeth (nee Dewar) muds, to Elizabeth time Dewar)
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MEY.—On Oct. 25th, in Harrow,
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CORNELL.—On October 26. Francis Charles Henry, peacefully at his home in Bindarats, Majorca, dearly loved husband of Pensy and father of Hoather and Angels.

Hon. Aubres Hassiescremation.

HAYWARD.—On October 24, 1977.
Evolyn Granger, formerly Bishop
for Lunui, of Milliord Lodge.
Soiton Road. Shrewsbury, aged
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SPEARS.—On October 23rd, suddens, in Kinston, Douglas Gorian, aged 71, youngest, sen of the late Dr. and Mrs. J. L. Spears, of Winbiedon, Cremation on Tuesday, Nevenber 18t, at STEVENS.—On Tuesday. October 18t.

STEVENS.—On Tuesday, October 25, 1977, Irone Mary Florence, laic of 52 Woodside Close, Amer-sham, Bucks, only daughter of the laic Charles Stevens, or

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GOODISON, EDNIUND HAROLD, A service of manksplving and remembrance will be held at 12 moon on Sziviral, 12 November, at Christ Church, Radiett, Herts. GRACEY.—A service of Marksplving for the life of Major Thomas William Gracey, O.B.E., D.L., K.B.J., Commander Si, join Ambulance, Devon, will be held in Exerce Cathedral on Sajurday, November 19, at 12.15 p.m. ALRAM.—On October 25, 1977, at Mount Rest Home, St. Leonard sons-so. Butses, Alice Dorothy Merlyn Alban, O.A.I.M.N.S. treiffowers, picase.

ARNOLD-FORSTER.—Suddenly, on 26th October; Joris Maskotyne Arnold-Forster, of 332 Metcalfe Ave., Monireal 6, beloved husband of Sonjs and inher of Katharine and Christopher.

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BROWM.—On October 26ll, 1977. Catherine, late of 14A Broad Street, Oxford, passed peacefully away, aged 91. Service at Oxford Crentalorium tomorrow, Saturday, at 11.50 a.m. Enquiries to A. W. Bruce Lid., Funcral Directors, Oxford 29:370. Correspondence to Miss Joan Mills, Hall Cottages. Rettendom, Chelmsford.

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HASTINGS.—On October 25th. Executive and all John's former collusques, together with the Chairman and members of the Greater London Council, the General Secretary, and executive of the Transport and executive of the Transport and General Workers' Union, the Secretary and members of the Board of Management of the Galleon World Travel Association Ltd... and her many relatives and friends for their kind messages and Dibates during her recent CRIFF-PRISTON.—Mr Michael and Nrs. S. Griff-Preston and family of the Late Rev. E. T. Griff-Preston wish to thank all friends for the expressions of sympathy received in their recont barearement and for the many letters of condolence. family. Ortober 26th. 1977, at Hollington House, Woolfington House, Woolfington House, Woolfington House, Woolfington Holl Berksnitz, Winffred, in her 91st 3'carr, wife of the late Hon. Authors Hastings. Private cremation.

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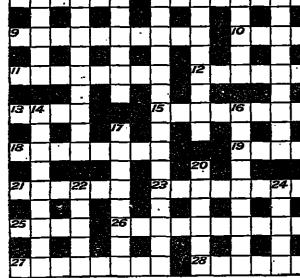
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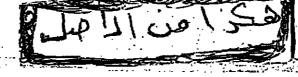
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for the few the natives with both the mind and the money to buy them.

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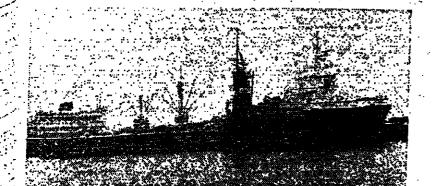
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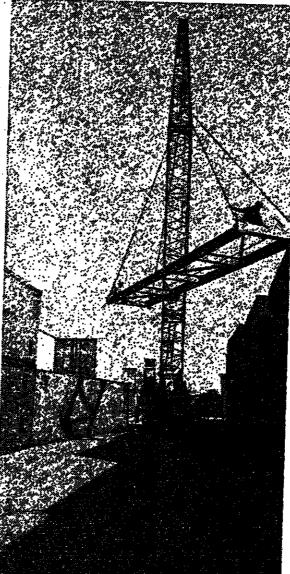
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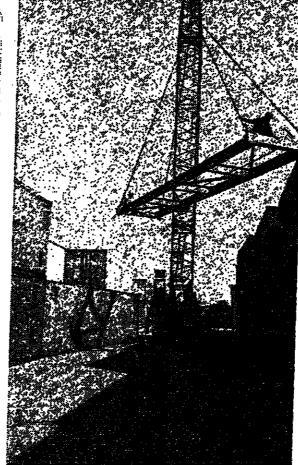


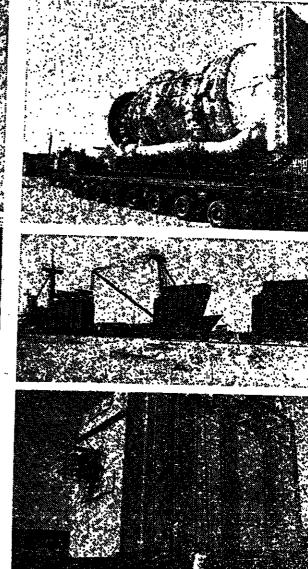
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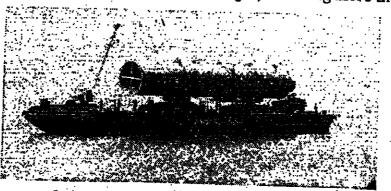






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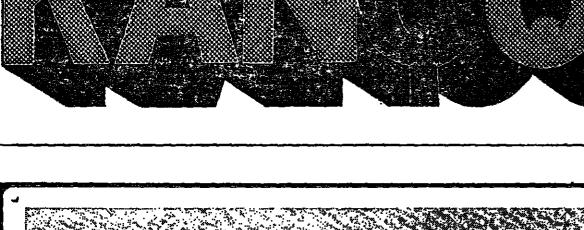
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SHIPPING

Containers make expansion of trade possible

by Paul Routledge

The reopening of the Suez

The roll-on, roll-off con- East.

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They have a lot on their sels are backed up by a changed the style of sea hands. Trade with the oil competent box handling systrading elsewhere in the states went through a tem at its ports of call.

world was rather late working the model increase. Bri- Medianer Line, part of ing its way into the Middle tish exports to Saudi Arabia the National Shipping Competent.

own troubles. Congestion in pace of economic and social ports. Most of the traffic the Red Sea and Gulf ports advancement among the initially went through was the most critical, but Arab governments.

Beirut until the Suez Canal this has eased a good deal Customers now have a was cleared. over the past year, and in more flexible approach

Donald, general manager, refrigerated ones. That vari-operations, of the Mersey ety is reflected in the range

Port facilities

testify

to confidence

Fakkan, the developing port commissioned, and three on the Indian Ocean side of heavy-lift cranes handle the United Arab Emirates, stacking.

are a silent testament to ing with plans for a new confidence in port develop- port linked to an industrial ment in this part of the complex at Jabal Ali, about Middle East. Dock construct 20 miles up the coast from

tion is proceeding at great Dubai. This giant complex is pace. designed to have a 74-berth

To some extent, this is a port serving its petro-reflection of the rule that chemical and metal working

no country, however small, industries.

can do without a prestige

Away in the other directory project. But it is also a tion, the port of Sharjah fact of life that oil wealth is has got into the container sucking in traffic that revolution rather late but

simply could not be handled effectively, with two cranes by the traditional dhow let-supplied by Sea Containers, ties that hitherto passed for a London-based container

Khor Fakkan is typical of Port Khalid is being the boom in shipping facili expanded rapidly, and ries. Constructed in a nat should have nine berths

when countries capable of experiencing the most diffi-taking two large container cult task in coping with in-

ships. Two 40-ton ship-to-creased traffic flow. After shore container cranes and the Suez Canal reopened in four rail-mounted terminal June 1975, Jiddah, tradi-

four rail-mounted terminal June 1975, Jiddah, tradistacking cranes will serve a tionally the most important container parking area cap- able of taking 1,500 large grim entrepor for Mecca, containers.

The new port is designed to eliminate the need to sail name handled reached up and down the congested 5,400,000 last year, and is shipping lanes of The Gulf likely to rise to eight miltor reach the ports around lion or nine million this its horder. But the optimism year.

to reach the ports around from or nine million this its border. But the optimism year, about the growth of ship. Jiddah has a five-stage ping has not discouraged port development proport-builders higher up The gramme, and a new Gulf. Iran has just signed a purpose-built container terf1,150m contract with the minal is scheduled to begin American firm of Brown operating in September and Root to build a new 1978. Two container berths

port facility at Shabahar, with 14 metres of water will under the first barter carry at least two container arrangement reached with cranes.

the Middle East. The Texan Jiddah may have the his-

American company manage months, the port is expected ing Port Khalid, and to have operating two light equipped with these two weight German container facilities the emirate hopes to tempt much of the traffic that would otherwise go up The Guff to other UAE—and quite possibly Saudi—ports into its freight man has been extensively operation on the expanding road network, Khor Fakkan also has the advantage of tish consortium of Scruttons in Mainty, a London stevedor-

tory, but it is now being challenged by Saudi Are bia's port on The Gui

Maluby, a London stevedor-ing firm, and the Mersey Docks and Harbour Com-pany. The waiting time for ships has been reduced

little more than a year. When the construction work is complete, Dammam

port will sit atop 800 acres of land reclaimed by dredg-ing the Gulf. A two-mile

long breakwater will protect

Across The Gulf in Iran

Shahpur consisting of eight

redeveloped two of the 14

new berths are already

operating, and Japanese contractors hope to hand

over two 40-ton Hitachi con-

the year.

is greatest in Saudi Arabia
the expansion of port facilian an area behind the berths, the most be in the United and the land has been given and the land has been given and the land has been given the free for five years.

Overall, the Gulf-Red Sea picture is one of intense picture is one of intense picture. Each country

tainer cranes by the end of

is intent on having its own new port, leaving many shipping experts to argue that the Middle East will be

oversupplied with berth-before the end of the decade. Yet the pace of con-

connected by road to the operating big cities of the United equipped Arab Emirates, it will have east of Sharjah, and year.

completed a 1,300ft

the Middle East. The Texan firm will be paid in oil.

Khor Fakkan, the Indian dream port of Sharjah, will be run by Seatrain, the

American company manag-ing Port Khalid, and

also has the advantage of avoiding the politically sensi-tive Strait of Hormuz.

The richest of the Emirares, Abu Dhabi, seems inconcerned by the freezy of building lower down The Gulf. Port Zayed, which five years ago had only three berths, is expanding rapidly an reclaimed land, and by

on reclaimed land, and by

have 21 berths in operation.

A further eight are planned in the development

up to the end of 1979. Not

content with this Abu Dhabi is planning a rival co Dubai's industrial complex

at Al Ruwais, not far from

the present oil terminal of Japal Dhama. The port will be connected to a £1,200m

steel milis, a refinery and

But if the traffic build-up s greatest in Saudi Arabia

was a creek opened up to the big, graceful Arab dhows only 20 years ago. Now it has 19 berths taking four million tons of cargo a year. When the £200m in-

vestment programme is com-pleted, there will be 37 berths and the port will be capable of handling 13 mil-

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other factories.

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Docks and Harbour Com- of cargoes, from cement to lany, urged thorough plan- ice cream.

East. But they are making doubled last year to \$446m, pany of Lebanon, started up for it now, as local meralthough there is now some the Middle East container chants realized the value of thing of a slow-down promprerevolution with the Cheshire boxing costly cargo and trade by the difficulties in Venture four years ago, dragging the Arab ports digesting such a huge offering first a monthly and into the twentieth century.

The boom has created its more mature stritude to the the eastern Mediterranean pown troubles. Concession in page of economic and social ports. Most of the traffic

Customers now have any case even the roll-on, their shipping needs. For inroll-off and container ships stance, CAMEL (Cunard
were given priority over Arabian Middle East Line)
conventional cargo ships is operating to Hodeida,
because of their ease of unport of North Yemen, as
loading.

Well as Jiddah and Aqaba. There are now voices of it offers a wide variety of caution about the pace of containers from open-top the new traffic. Mr A. D. and self-insulated boxes to

ning before any new cargo-handling techniques were with Jeddah Crown, a 6,500-ton Strider-class ship, and

Mediainer was one of the first container operators through the canal, moving into the Red Sea ports. The company now offers a seven Liverpool and Felixstowe to

FOSS (Fred Olsen Sea speed Svedel) runs a 14-day service out of Felixstowe and Rotterdam to Dubai, Damman, Abu Dhabi and

These direct sailings to ports in the Red Sea and The Gulf are supplemented by regular services to ports in the eastern Mediterare several hundred new but Shaikh Rashid bin Sayed unoccupied houses. They el Maktum is also proceed-

The challenge of doing "They are very conscious quest service is available business in these countries of needing British expertise; for the area. should not be underestibut it is important to send mated. A Middle East out the right kind of man The author is Labour Editor, expert with Sea Containers, because of their different The Times.

ping from Europe to Iran.
Saudi Arabia, and The Gulf states that almost rivalled the increase in oil prices. And advances in shipping rechniques have gone hand in hand with the expansion of trade.

The roll-on roll of trade.

Many shipping lines now since its inauguration it has been expanded with two list of ports in the Middle new vessels, Aqaba Crown, offering a grows longer. About 20 mar. 10-day sailing frequency through Felixstowe and Rotten and in hand with the expansion of trade.

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day service alternately from Aqaba, Jiddah, Sharjah, Dammam and Kuwait.

Blue Funnel, a shipper to Jiddah for nearly a century, containerization w Saudi Arabia only this year, but now offers a formightly roll-on, roll-off service roll-on, roll-off service there with two bow-door celvessels able to roll boxes on to the quay and stack them alongside the

Doha and a weekly run to Jiddah.

ranean for onward hardage.

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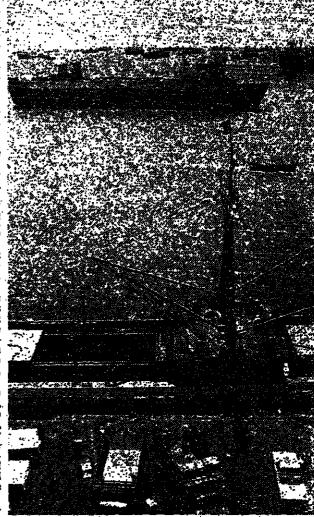
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Conventional freighters wait their turn at Jiddah while a roll-on, roll-off ship steams in to take priority.

a London-based firm, said: customs which must be "Most people find that the observed." Saudis have a British sense The wide variety of sail-

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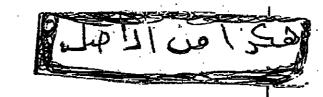
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Beirut seeks new place in highly competitive world



Middle East the bright spot amid gloom

by Margaret Greenhalgh

ports and newcomers in the make Red Sea and The Gulf are challenging Beitut's resur the east Mediterranean, gence as an important tran- The sam is to capture the sir centre. The port, which growing container traffic, the sit centre. Ine port, which increase in which was reopened on December 15, apparent before the war, and 1976, emerged from the dis-ruption of civil war to face advantage of containers is that they are easily handled conditions from those before so Beirut could hope the war. Freight which might achieve a rapid turnover. have been routed through
Beirut overland to Saudi hinterland Middle East
Arabia, Iraq, Iran, Jordan destinations is to remain
and Kuwait can now be competitive with the all-sea

taken direct by sea through routes. Finance for the all-sea reopened Snez Canal.

The rapid easing of congestion over the past six months at Guif and Red Sea Social Development. The routes more viable. At the all-sea routes more viable. At the same time, Beirut is threatened with competition from the plan now rests with the plan now rests with the plan now rests with the ability of new berths have the ports of Bandar-e-Shahpur and the Turkish ports, Mersin ment.

Red Sea. While these ports with the seathed closure of the Suez Canal or and cost frequently depend and cost frequently depend experiencing severe congestion delays, the sealand route through the east Medication.

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Takanderun, and the Until the war, Beirut was in and the Syrian ports, Tartus and Latakia. Freight was directed through these ports during the Lebanese war and not all of it will revert to Beirut. Sherief and about 500,000 to the port in 1974, some all of it will revert to Beirut is able to withbeand the strong competition will depend on plants for its rehabilitation. In June. Peat Marwick Mitchell & Co., British con-

sultants, completed a master plan for the port which included an economic forerecommends the construc-tion of a fully-equipped container terminal which would make Reirut the most

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Shipping Corporation has been formed to transport dry cargo. Dubai is developing a dry cargo shipping business through two companies—the government sponsored Dubai Kingdom and Western Europe, discharging at Abu Dhabi and Muscat.

Hangover follows the binge

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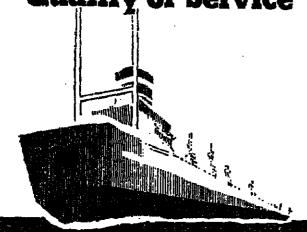
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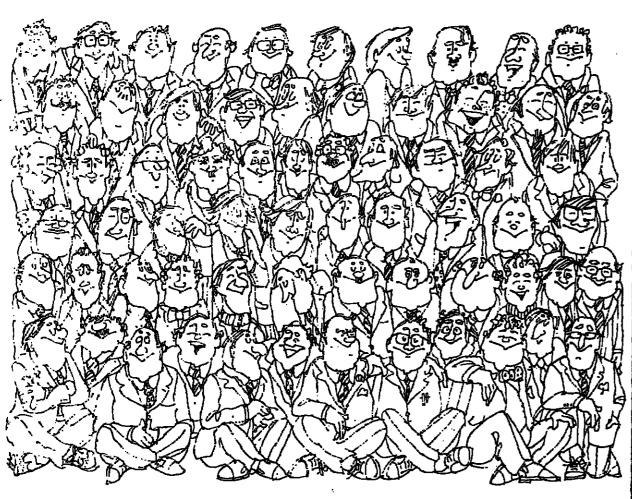
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Canal reasserts its influence on world shipping

by Peter Hill

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Unfortunately,

Ship passing an Israeli tank, placed beside the Suez Canal as a monument by the Egyptians.

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AIR FREIGHT

Ground services put brake on jet speed

by Arthur Reed

enormous upsurge in busi- after trying our workers

BOAC—had in 1966 only Middle East inevitably grew one service, carrying pas rapidly, which has meant a sensers and freight, each thriving new air freight week. Today the timetable includes a wide-bodied Lockheed TriStar each day busy shuttling its country's with one VC 10. Next year, holidays—trips on which the further three VC 10 flights will be added.

workers carry with them the consumer goods which they have been able to buy with the new-found wealth There are two major reasons for this expansion, which is closely mirrored in which their employment in The Gulf brings them. most other parts of The Gulf, the Middle East and

ground-handling side of this new air freight business in the Middle East has not kept pare with the speed with which it has blossomed As the area has little industry producing the goods kept with needed by a burgeoning modern society, almost everything has to be im-ported. And as The Gulf is in the air. rich in money from its oil how, in some parts of the area, cargo which has been sped to its destination in a revenues, it can afford to pay to import with the least delay — which generally delay — which generally means by air freight. matter of hours over thou-sands of miles to meet an

The cargo is carried ither in the underfloor urgent order is then locked up for days while bureauholds of passenger airliners or, increasingly as the business builds up, in all-freight aircraft. The comcratic processes with more affinity to the age of camel modities are amazingly varied, ranging from artifi-Many airports, too, suffer from being attuned to the cial grass for tennis courts era of aviation of a quarter to prefabricated buildings of a century ago so that of a century ago so that their warehouses, offices, complete with built in air conditioning in which buildroads and runways are uning workers will live, from able to cope with the heavy drilling bits for oil explora- demands which air freighttion to livestock

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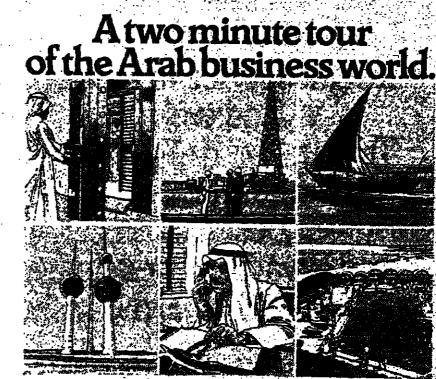
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Rapid expansion after wartime disruption

The airlines of the Middle East, backed by the impormut international Air Transport Association carriers which fly services through the area, and by unscheduled cargo operators, are just about able to cope with the great amount of freight traffic now on offer.

The civil war in Lebenon discupted the traditional cargo links to the area, and while Beirut airport was either closed or under threat Irans Mediterranean Airways, the cargo carnier, and Middle East Airlines moved heir bases elsewhere.

TMA went to Dubai and MEA to Paris, and both with difficulty were able to keep open their freight links between the Middle East and the producers. Both are now back in Beirut and expanding their cargo business:

Saudi Arabia has more each week between Europe esco ween between and Jiddah, Riyadh and Dhahran. Iran Air also bas regular freight services bet- week, while its latest jumbo Abu Dhabi in 2; hours, ween Teheran and London jet, the special performance Dubai or Ajman in 30 from Australia to Kuwait and Landon jet, the special performance Dubai or Ajman in 30 from Australia to Kuwait and Landon jet, the special performance Dubai or Ajman in 30 from Australia to Kuwait and Abu Dhabi and as a result Landon jet, the special performance Dubai or Ajman in 30 from Australia to Kuwait and Abu Dhabi and as a result Landon jet, the special performance Dubai or Ajman in 30 from Australia to Kuwait and Abu Dhabi and as a result Landon jet, the special performance Dubai or Ajman in 30 from Australia to Kuwait and Abu Dhabi and as a result landon jet, the special performance Dubai or Ajman in 30 from Australia to Kuwait and Abu Dhabi and as a result landon jet, the special performance Dubai or Ajman in 30 from Australia to Kuwait and Abu Dhabi and as a result landon jet, the special performance Dubai or Ajman in 30 from Australia to Kuwait and Abu Dhabi and as a result landon jet, the special performance Dubai or Ajman in 30 from Australia to Kuwait and Abu Dhabi and as a result landon jet, the special performance Dubai or Ajman in 30 from Australia to Kuwait and Abu Dhabi and as a result landon jet, the special performance Dubai or Ajman in 30 from Australia to Kuwait and Abu Dhabi and as a result landon jet and the special performance Dubai or Ajman in 30 from Australia to Kuwait and Abu Dhabi and as a result landon jet and the special performance Dubai or Ajman in 30 from Australia to Kuwait and Abu Dhabi and A Abu Dhabi and, as a result Nigeria.

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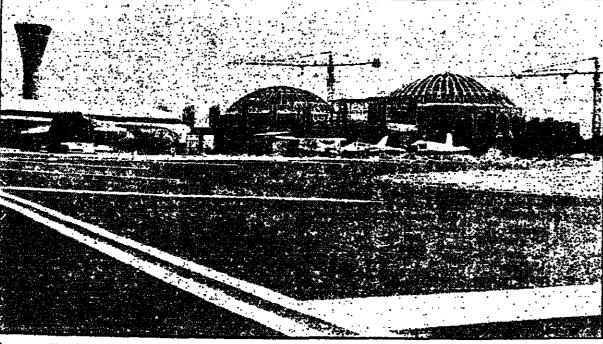
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A new airport was opened a distribution centre for Air France takes in such freight for the whole of the liddle East centres of trade United Arab Emirates. IAS 5 Abu Dhabi, Damascus, carries about 200 tons of ubai, Jiddah, Kuwait and cargo there each week of

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In the first six months of 1977, IAS carried a total of me 1.230 tons of cargo into the UAE. The airline's executives estimate that with the Abu Dhabi service that links. The once a week air-figure will be well exceeded lift of foodstuffs which the during the second half of airline once flew from Dubai to Salalah, Oman, has now been taken over by surface the year.

IAS also began the first regular direct air cargo link between Britain and San'a, the increasing population of in the Yemen Arab foreign workers has resulted iu the Republic. in a wide variety of food-stuffs from India, Africa and

An unusual feature of the San'a market is that the theran, with their freight goods ranging from con- highest proportion of cargo rvices, while the big inde- struction equipment to con- carried consists of foodstuffs, including eggs, frozen chickens, chilled ment and ne-table to Tripoli, Libya roads radiates from Shar-not only from Britain, but m Am Ilies its Boeing 747 jah. By truck, the goods from Kenya, Greece and eighter to Teheran once a brought in by IAS reach Holland.

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A further innovation by IAS was a cheap service from The Gulf back to Britain, now in great demand for the carriage of household effects, machinery for repairs and motor vehicles.

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Light flight has great future

The Middle East, with its vast tracts of inhospitable desert and lack of longdistance surface transport, is ideal for general aviation--aircraft from executive jets and below in size. But despite this, the business is only just beginning to take

are the foreign business com-panies which are there to help in the enormous deveopment of the area, and who use small aircraft as a businos tool to ferry workers and essential supplies to

And there are the rich Arabs who have bought jets some have acquired former airliners like the VC10 and the Boeing 707) to further their business enterprises, and to take them and their families on holiday to Europe or further afield.

Pleasure flying, as it is known in Europe and the United States, is almost nonexistent, partly because there is little pleasure in flying over the featureless terrain which marks large parts of the region. But it is thought that as the local population become more technically-minded, this type of aviation will begin to grow.

There is certainly no dif ficulty in laying down air ports as there is in more

congested parts of the world. Two British companies dominate the Middle East small aircraft market. These are CSE Aviation, of Oxford which distributes Piper air Recognizing the growing importance of the Middle East for air freight, IAS recently established an office in Sharjah. Most of the air-lines, big and small, are craft equipment; and DK aviation, of Grimsby, which concentrates on twin-piston twin-turboprop, and twin-jet

tical and economic climates business from the Middle East. CSE operates the Ox-ford air training school been trained during the pass decade. Graduates obtain

> DK Aviation acts as a broker specializing in the sale and leasing of large commercial aircraft. It also manages companies in Sudan, Libva and Oman specializing in crop spray-

Lord Waterpark, sales director of CSE, makes the point that to sell light aircraft in the Middle East it is necessary to offer a "complete package" rather than just the aircraft, first-class support and back-up with spares.

> Tact needed to make

> sure of sales

Among recent buyers in the Middle East have been the Omani police, with a Learjet 25B, and a bank manager from Abu Dhabi who travels around The Gulf in a Cherokee Warrior.

There is no lack of money in the Middle East for inin the Middle East for in-vesting in the expensive business of owning and operating aircraft, but sell-ing aircraft there requires fact and patience. Decisions are not usually taken quickly and salesmen must be prepared to return to the poten-tial customer over and over again to ensure that a sale goes through.

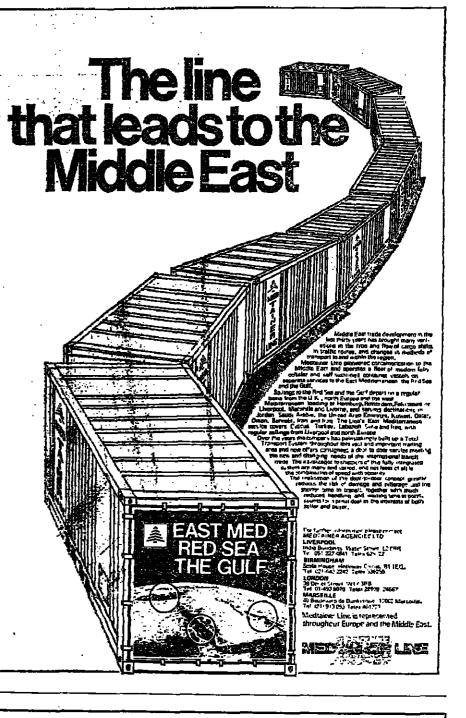
There is general agree ment among those involved in the business that the in the business may the scope for general aviation in the Middle East is limitless. In Sudan, for instance, there is a requirement during the next 10 years for 500 pilots and 300 aircraft for crop spraying.

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It is already clear that light aircraft will play an important role in the development of the vast natural resources of the area. A Beechcraft Super King Air has been bought by the Egyptian Government; it has remote-sensing equipment and specialized electronics to carry out water, uranium and other resource exploration in the Sinai and exploration in the Sinai and Egyptian deserts—explora-tion which has already been begun by United States satel-

The aircraft is scheduled for delivery in the middle of 1978. It will also be used to spot arable areas in the desert, and this information will be used to move nomadic tribes to such areas before the agricultural potential in their present locations becomes exhausted.

The existence of water, oil, uranium and other minerals in the Egyptian Sahara and the Sinai peninsula has been revealed by photographs taken by satellites. The first indications are that there is enough water in some areas to urigate the desert, and the King Air, through its cameras, will follow up these satellite pictures with more detailed information on which the Egyptian Government will have serious Government will base serious





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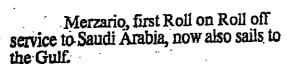
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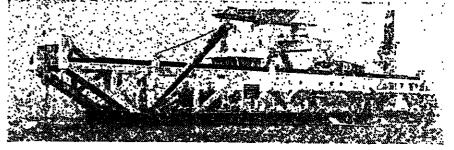
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LAND TRAFFIC

Hauliers make plans as ports clear

by John Whelan

rush by exporters into the tainer ships and roll-on, roll-this expenditure will help off traffic. Today, with the only if fundamentals are relief of the Gulf, Iranian tackled. The general manaand Saudi ports, that picture has changed. Both the overland hauliers and the con-ventional break-bulk shipper

Decongestion has become fact. The helicopters which unloaded cement when 146 ships waited off jiddah have gone back to the United States. Now the freight forwarders are talking of cargo rate cutting.

But the unloading capacity at Gulf ports is not enough Importers must stop using the ports as free ware houses. Decongestion along sing the ports as free ware now may operators are chasing united by marginally. As a Belgian houses. Decongestion along the most of the cargo. The ship was indicated of ports the north of the ports to be the last real most difficult, demanding Balkan tourist motel; it was on my the committable, clean and the charges of Turkey, lay was long enough leave their traffic satisfactorily—does not seem to have been to have been to have been to the unloading capacity at Gulf ports is not enough. Importers must stop using the ports as free ware houses. Decongestion along a section of military panions on the highway and free food was wholesome. That was not the kind of life a person could incompt to convince me that this was not the kind of life a person could incompt to convince me that this was not the kind of life a person could like their traffic satisfactorily—does not seem to have been tackled.

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from the dock to the ware-house, it can be as cheap to by Iain Sherriff

On present development plans The Gulf will have 353 delays in The Gulf were at extra deep-sea and container delays in The Gulf were at berths by the late 1980s but their worst, more than a using a municipal building lowed unintelligible instruction and instant fine for the contrast of themselves on instant. again some observers believe thousand vehicles were mov-squad and crane. The costeach week from all over and five cigars. Europe, a cargo of more We then had a police than 20,000 tons. escort to the local Transped ger of Port Services Corporathan 20,000 tons.

tion at Mina Qabus, Oman, Mr B. G. Metcalfe, says: "Although congestion has been eliminated or eased in The 4,000-mile run across several ports, the root of the matter—the ability, or lack most difficult, demanding Balkan murist motel; it was

offered by some container

hipment to Teheran by road.

Most of the overland lobby

d go as far as Mr Leonard

small family retail busi-

tess is thow aware of the advantage of door-to-door

states embark on their

ambigious programme of diversifying industries from

a hydrocarbon base hauliers will increasingly seek trunk

Another development which suggests that decon-sestion may sumulate the

shead in the Gulf the advan-

a cargo by barge on a sandy spit in a few toches of water

may be outweighed by the

gement in Liverpool, considers that in 10

shipping through

on current rates Mr G. G. Schmid, managing director of Stand and Freight Forwarders of London, offers containers London-Teheran at 30 per cent less than a trailer lorry. Even on the Teheran run, which most overlanders claim runs like clockwork the lorry time of chockwork the lorry

clockwork, the lorry time of Having been delayed threatened by the 21 days tering from a force 10 gal tering from a force 10 gale, Time in the Middle East is our carnets de passage, Time in the Middle East is our carnets as passage, not always the essence. The chaotic state of customs administration at many ports often erodes the advantage the shippers gain from new Aschen with cancelled docuthe shippers gain from new perths and more efficient

stevedoring. Failure to seg-regate cargo adequately on arrival by dating often leads However, permitted 11 litres-so paid the tax, presented the documents, forged permits and all and were waved elieve their continuing rength will lie with less an full load deliveries. Not

tricky but not as tricky as it might have been had we wears land freight to the known about our faulty Middle East will be as accepted as it is in Europe today.

Mr Beddows says his loads are no longer rush jobs of sale weakle park was a most of partmeter was a most of partmeter. materials but mess snow and our cab-cooled goods like paper missues, furniture and clothes. The ordinary Gulf merchant with cab bunk did nothing to cheer us up.

service reducing as it does the dangers of damage in transit and pilfering. line we were put to the end of a 50-vehicle queue. By the time we presented our papers the typical German efficiency had disappeared The hauliers, particularly the Continent, are also taking an interest in project transport contracts. The with the melting snow. They stamped the papers, dressed us down in military fashion ansport contracts.

Answerp-based firm of us down in minutely research chenker Belgium has taken for queue jumping and sent us into Austria. of all materials, from pretab-ricated houses to ping-pong tables for the Belgian con-tract workers at Al Khaim and Akashat in Iraq. As the

cently to present forged ecome in girlie magazines dropped on their desk by the man two ahead of us that papers were endorsed unexamined and off we went to have a flat tyre repaired and up the high-way to Yugoslavia.

Our crossing point into gestion may stimulate the land transport operators is taking place at Sharjah where the UAE's third richest emirate has The Gulf's first fully operational container terminal operated by an independent company registered and based in Sharjah. The thinking at Sharjah is that while only 5 per cent of Gulf cargo can be containerized now, by Yugoslavia was of the weekend delay we decided to go over at the Spefeld/Maribor post. It would save us three hours.

almost landed us in prison. remote post in the middle of the night our forged docucan be containerized now, by 1980 this could rise as high as 30 per cent. Mr Robin Crawshaw, president of Port Khaled (Sherjah) Port Management Services, believes Sharjah will develop into a ments might have been accepted, but not so at Maribor. An eagle-eyed official spotted the fault and

Sharjah will develop into a Imprisonment was threat-major transhipment centre ened unless we could get with extensive road haulage proper permits. Even as we connexions to the rest of held council of war, more the Arabian peninsula.

British forgeries turned up. Sharjah may well need Eventually I was nominated the hauliers. Its position in to contact the British the lower Gulf makes it an Embassy in Belgrade.

we were stopped.

ideal centre but Muscat on the Gulf of Oman can also ney from Maribor to Belclaim to be the gateway to the Arabian peninsula. The truler of Dubai, Shaikh Rasi for Maribor occupied the did are in Luna considering 24 hours which I would hid, was in June considering 24 hours which I would drawings for a new highway rather forget. The result between Dubai and Muscat. was a fresh legal permit for Such a road could reopen each of us and, we hoped, the overland versus the sea an uneventful trip to Tex-

Muscat is taking its time about defining the challenge good experience and the but the port management tunnels, pleasant food and sees flaws in the shippers rought us to the Bulgarian they pose are based on ob-servations of the roll-on, rollhorder eight days out from home.

passed q officialdom through tage of being able to beach thanked the Bulgarian cus a packet of cigarettes. That was not to be the last assistreliability of door to-door service by roads with which ance or gratuitous gestur in Bulgaria.

the oil shaikhs are lacing the Our load was two rock-crushing machines, each weighing about 10,000 kilos. The author is on the staff At a roundabout in Sofia, of the Middle East Economic the machine fell on to the road and slowly rolled over

Crossing the borders of endurance

ing goods into Iran alone £20, cigarettes by the carton

depot for repairs. The cost of the escort was a carton Europe and Asia Minor to of cigarentes.

Teheran was one of the That night was spent in a

The rest of that day was place in a nightmare atmo- that was that.

recount tales of terror from correct.

lowed unintelligible instructions and made us pay age of making some extractions of the control
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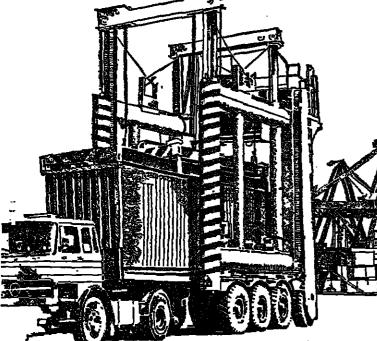
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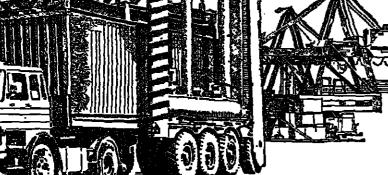
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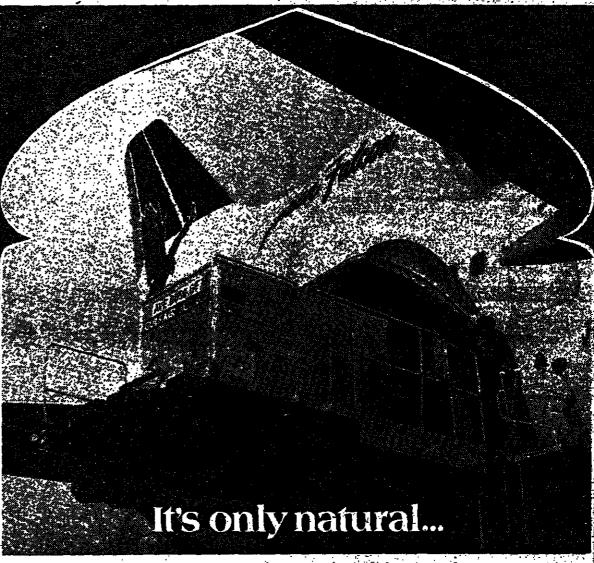
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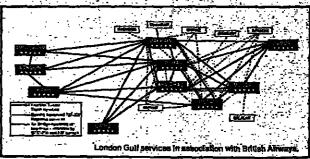
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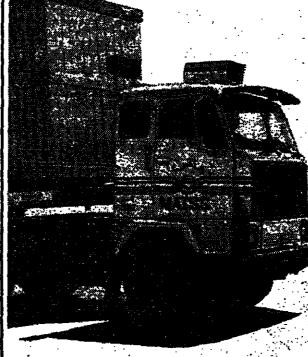
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Going to work on a curate's egg

The roads in Turkey seem likely to break more than one haulier this wimer. Memories linger of the 1966-67 freeze when a number of big names went hankrupt. Recent reports suggest that most of the black spots remain, indeed some previously reliable Turkish sections of the overland route have deteriorated this summer.

Throughout the rest of the Middle East the haulage which casts the net still Imranli between Sivas and ares. At the moment the lexicotan. Mr David Austin, 12km gap between the end of truck controller of Davies at Hodeida this is becomparing truck controller of Davies at Hodeida this is becomparing truck controller of Davies at Hodeida this is becomparing truck controller of Davies at Hodeida this is becomparing truck controller of Davies at Hodeida this is becomparing truck controller of Davies at Hodeida this is becomparing the tarmac on the Qatar side and the tarma

The road beyond Teheran

Middle East the haulage vironment in London, which stone-throwing incidents and routes are in good order, is seeking to stabilize the broken windscreens associting to the exception of 12 km rates with the Turks on a ated with Tabir may not of desert between Doha and government to government happen at Imranh but Abu Dhabi, it is possible to basis. The Iranian Govern-road conditions are likely to drive trouble-free from ment is particularly irked at he just as snowbound. The the lack of progress by the Turks have on occasions would involve crossing Saudi allowed Tirks.

United Arab Emirates.

According to British military roads but permishables the introduction of this

to Pakistan and Afghanistan is becoming increasingly well used because of port congestion in Karachi. Last month Schenke of Germany was quoting Peshawar (Pakistan) to Florence at £3,250 to £3,750 a trailer.

The Saudi Arabian road network in particular is improving quickly. Hauliers are now talking about offering regular services into North Yemen from Jiddah,

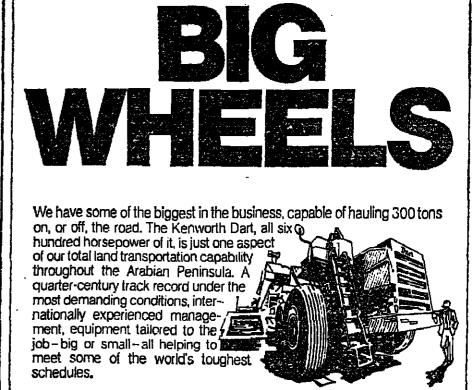
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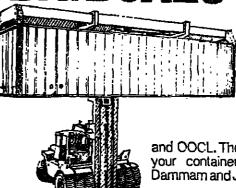
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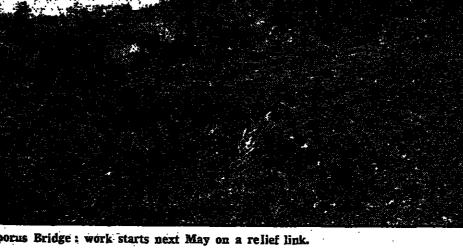
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Partner for bridge

by Sinan Fisek

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Ground will be broken for should therefore help. second link between the two shores of the Istanbul goods transported on Tur Strait next May 29, on the kish roads went up by 15; 525th anniversary of the S25th ammyersary of the then trebled from 1974 to conquest of Istaabul by the 1975. That forced Turkey to Ottoman Sultan Mahomet II.

become inevitable, she said.

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Bosporus crossing

be to link that second ing across Turkey. bridge, which will be accompridge, which will be accome TIR trucks now pay 74p if ailway tunnel, to the new have railway tunnel, to the new have a special agreement Trans-European North-South with Turkey, which most of Motorway scheme which them do, and £1.20 if they Turkey recently joined. It do not. starts in Gdansk, Poland, and will run through 10 things in their stride and countries. It will constitute paid up but Iran was the worst affected by that meaan important link with Asia sure and has so far refused and the Middle East when to sign a special agreement its segments which cross with Turkey.

the east and Syria in the to cross Turkey,"

posed road to the Turkish marily cancelled

the project, lacks the money to undertake it alone and thinks the rich oil countries hould contribute.

estimates that the bridge's been opened up to interthe resulting benefits. When he Europe and Asia 25 cen-

an by 1995, as originally turies ago, the Persian pected. emperor Darius used floats "In the past few years, to make a bridge. To do heavy transit lorry traffic that today would cost millions of pounds and Turkey, short of foreign currency, teady increase", Mrs Umit will at least help to pay for

The Turks contend that the oil price increase of 1973 is responsible for the international transport lor ries flowing across Turkey Tokyo recently. A second with consumer goods for the Middle East. Iran and other Middle Eastern coun

The weight and volume of The ideal solution would of taxing TIR lorries travell

For each ton/kilometre

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Turkey are completed. "There are very few of The road will enter Tur- our lorries travelling Turkey from Bulgaria to link kish roads", one Iranian diplomat in Ankara said. The problem is that most one part will turn east to of the other trucks are com-Iran and the other south to ing to Iran, so we have to Adana, where it will once foot the bill for the approxiagain branch out to Iraq in mately £450 a lorry it costs

outh.

Iran was so put out by
the Turkish decision that
Last month Italy submit \$5,000m of credit promised ted a scheme for the main by the Shah during a recent east-west portion of the pro- visit to Turkey was sum-

Turkish officials insist The length in Turkey will that the levied on TIR trucks is reabe about 3,600 kilometres sonable and hardly covers and Ankara, though keen on the cost of maintenance and repair to roads damaged by heavy vehicles. Overcrowded by lorrles

At a recent meeting of with, Turkish roads are no the Regional Cooperation longer fast, efficient or safe, for Development Organiza-they say. "It is evident" tion a Turkish official one official said, "that all remarked to his Iranian countries concerned with counterparts that the Turk- this type of mansport should ish economy had been realize that the benefits of forced to undertake invest- all lie in cooperation, and realize that the benefits of ments not necessarily for common approach will be domestic traffic. Turkey's the way out of this prob-

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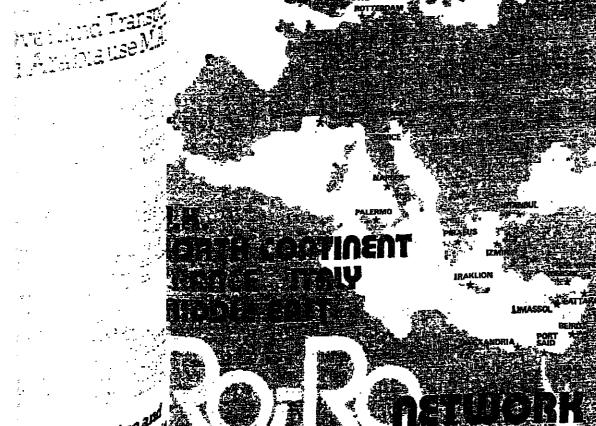


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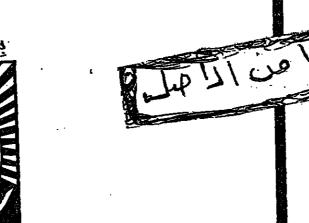
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